

Date Received 5/12/60

From as below  
(Name of contributor)



Description:

one 100 ft roll  
of microfilm of 8mm tapes

File No.

RC 92-326-1A3

(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

(File No.) 92-326

- |   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| 1. One photo of Joseph Frank Guerera                                    | Rec'd 6/4/59      |
| 2. Two photos of Joseph Frank Guerera                                   | " "               |
| 3. 1 roll of 100 ft. 16mm film of S&M Sales<br>9th & Wyandotte K.C. Mo. | " 5/24/60         |
| 4. Notes of Surveillances 5/12/60                                       | " "               |
| 5. Photo of Joseph Frank Guerera  | " 4/3/62          |
| 6. Group photo including Guerera & Steve De Salvò                       | 2/27/63           |
| 7. Xerox copy of statement of _____<br>to Insp. _____ 1/31/63           | furnished 3/26/63 |

8. 1 neg. and 2 photos blown up from 92-326-1A6

70-23-63

9. Photo of \_\_\_\_\_

11/9/64

10. Photo of Thomas Dioguardi.

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11. Photo of Audino Cappadoc.

"

12. Printout Copy of Sherwood Hays (Lima), Inc. inventory # 33-25 re  
the mole of Joseph Frank Guerra, aka.

## Disposition:

1. Sent to Milwaukee 1/10/61 d.jn.

92-326-1A

Retyped 10/23/63 *John*

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FBI - KANSAS CITY	

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Date Received 5-22-59  
From KCmo P.O. #46592  
(Name of contributor)

By SA   
(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned Yes ( )  
No ( X )

Description: Photo of Joseph  
Frank Durera

File No. 92-326-1A1

*sent Milwaukee 5-18  
Ljr*

Date Received 6-4-59

From Bureau  
(Name of contributor)

(Address of contributor)

By mail  
(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned Yes ( )  
No ( )

Description: a photo of  
Joseph Frank Guera

File No. 92-326-1a2

See 1A-1



Date Received 5-12-60

From as below  
(Name of contributor)

By

To Be Returned Yes ( )  
No (X)

Description: note of  
Summation 5-12-60

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KC 92-326-1A4

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5-12-60

Surv. at 817 W St. - 9th Wm. 8  
by [redacted]

1140 AM Parked at 9th + Wm. 8

Took movie of persons  
entering + leaving  
817 W St.

1150 am [redacted]

entered 817 W St.

12:00 noon [redacted]

Left 817 W St.  
+ walked across  
street

1:00 2 PM [redacted]

red marker 9th.  
in 56 orange Cadillac  
Coupe - Hard Top.

[redacted] S.A. FBI.

FD-340 (4-7-61)

File No.

92-326-1A5

Date Received

4-3-62

From

POLICE DEPARTMENT

(Name of Contributor)

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

(Address of Contributor)

By

SA WILLIAM C. COMPTON

(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned

Yes

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No

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Description:

3 FOUR PHOTOGRAPHS  
OF JOSEPH FRANK BURERA

FD-340 (4-7-61)

File No.

92-326-1A6

Date Received

2/13/63

From

Sentinel per SAC.

(Address of Contributor)

By

SA

(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned

Yes ☐

No ☐

Description:

Group photo including  
Gurera & Steve De Salvo



Joseph Gurara

Steve De Salvo  
mil. area  
Strongman

92-326-1A6

Dominic Frunzi  
mil. atty.

FD-340 (4-7-61)

File No. 92-326-1A7  
~~92-1181~~

Date Received 3/21/63

From Insp. [redacted] P.O. Dept.  
(Name of Contributor)

[redacted]  
(Address of Contributor)

By [redacted]  
(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned Yes ☐  
No ☒

Description:

Xerox copy of statement of  
[redacted] furnished to  
Insp. [redacted] 1/3/63.

State of Illinois :  
: SS  
County of Cook :

If [ ] make the following statement:

I understand that I am in Room 604 of the Main Post Office, Chicago, Illinois, being questioned concerning my possession of a revolver which is the property of the Post Office Department. I have been told that I need not make any statement and that any statement I do make may be used against me. I know that I may have legal counsel in this matter. No threats or promises have been made to me so that I make or sign this statement.

I am [ ] years of age, born at [ ] on [ ]  
[ ] I do not have any particular address, but I usually stay in the area of [ ] Streets in Chicago, Illinois. I am unemployed at the present time, but have worked as a [ ] at the [ ]  
[ ] on [ ] and the [ ] on [ ]

On Monday, January 28, 1963, I had been drinking in various taverns on W. Madison Street. About 7:00 p.m. that evening I was in a tavern west of Halsted Street, and I was approached by an unknown man who said that he heard I was interested in a "piece". By the word "piece" I knew that he meant a <sup>gun</sup> gun. I said that if the price were right I might be interested. He said that he wanted \$30.00 for the gun, as he showed it to me. I gave him the \$30.00, put the gun in my pocket and walked out of the tavern. I asked him before the sale if the gun was registered and he said it was not. After I left the tavern in which I bought the gun, I went to a tavern at [ ] where [ ] either saw or was told that I had a gun, and suggested to me that he keep the gun for me until I was more sober. I attempted to get the gun from him on ~~XXXX~~ Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 29 and 30, 1963, but he was not in the tavern. During the evening of Jan. 30, 1963, I approached [ ] for the return of my gun. Shortly after he handed me the gun, two men appeared and identified themselves as postal officials. I stated that if they were looking for a gun, it was in my left coat pocket. I did not know that the gun was post office property.

*I have read this statement. It is true*

Subscribed and sworn to before me at  
Chicago, Illinois, this 31st day of  
January, 1963.

[ ]  
Postal Inspector

WITNESS:



File No.

198  
92-326-~~106~~

Date Received

From

*Milwaukee Office*  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned

Yes ☐  
No ☒

Descriptions:

1 neg  
2 photos blown  
up from 92-326-106



92-326-1A8

FD-340 (REV. 6-17-62)

File No. 92-326-1A9

Date Received 11-7-64

From New York

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By Mail Su 264

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned Yes ☐  
No ☒

Description: Photo of 





aka

male, white

DOB:



POB:

HT: 5'10"

Wt: 200 lbs

build: stout

hair: brown

complexion: fair

FBI#



Residence:



Tel#



wife:



92-326-1A9v

NY 92-1734 -

File No.

92-326-1A 10

Date Received

11-7-64

From

New York

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By

Mail

See 264

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned

Yes

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No

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Description:

Photo of Thomas  
Dioguardi



92-326-1A10 ✓

Thomas Dioguardi  
Photo taken 1963  
NY 92-652

THOMAS DIOGUARDI aka  
Tommy Dio,  
Gaetano Dioguardi,  
Thomas Dioguardia

Race: white  
Sex: male  
DOB: 10/29/15 at NYC  
Ht: 5' 8" b6  
Wt: 175 lbs b7C  
Hair: Black (grey streak)  
Eyes: Brown  
Residence: 55 Broome Ave.,  
Atlantic Beach, NY  
Employment: President,  
Don-Rose Mills,  
205 West 39th St.,  
NYC  
Build: Stocky  
Complexion: Dark (usually  
deeply tanned)  
Wife:   
FBI #: 920425

Photo taken 1957 ✓

~~NY 92-652~~ 92-326-1A10



File No.

92-326-1A11

Date Received

11-7-64

From

New York

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By

Mail Lev 264

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned

Yes

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No

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Description:

Photos of Audimo  
Cappadio



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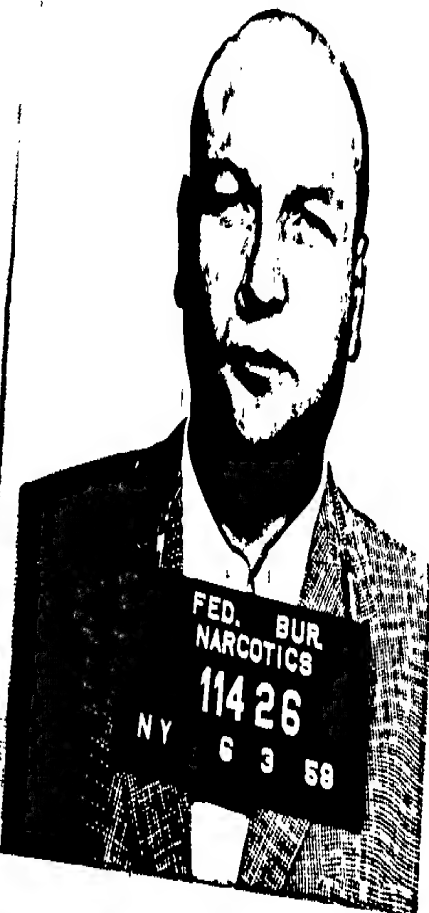
ANDIMO PAPPADIO  
January 1957



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NARCOTICS

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ANDIMO PAPPADIO aka  
Thomas Pappadio,  
Thomas Noto,  
Tommy Wilson,  
"Pop" Wilson

White, male  
Born: 2/2/14 at NYC  
Ht.: 5' 10"  
Wt: 200 lbs  
build: Heavy  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: grey  
complexion: fair  
Residence: 121 Eva Drive,  
Lido Beach, NY  
FBI #: 1331637  
NYCPD #: 159069

92-326-1711 ✓

*Andimo Pappadio*

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File No. 92-326-1A<sup>(12)</sup>Date Received 12/30/64From Chicago  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)IO  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)By Mal. Su. 275  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned Yes ☐  
No ☒

## Description:

Carbon copy of Greyhound Van  
Lines, Inc. inventory number  
33-28 re. the move of  
Joseph Frank Lurua, aka

Greyhound Van Lines, Inc.

CF Van Lines, Division of  
Consolidated Freightways —  
Portland, Oregon I.C.C. MC-42487

Johnson Storage & Moving Co.  
Denver, Colorado I.C.C. MC-89442

COMBINATION INVENTORY and OVER, SHORTAGE and DAMAGE REPORT First Tape Number Used 1

I.C.C. MC-14786

ORDER NO. 33-25 G.B.L. NO.

Color of Tape White

57 W. Grand Ave., Chicago 10, Illinois

Shipper's Name

Guerra

Rank

Sheet # 1 of 5 Sets

A	B	C	D	E	CONDITION
Driver: List and count all items separately Do not group barrels, boxes, cartons or other containers	Condition of shipment of origin	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	
1. <u>Dinning Table</u>	<u>25 1/2" x 4 Base</u>				1 Bent
2. <u>Dinning Chair</u>	<u>25 1/2"</u>				2 Broken
3. <u>"</u>	<u>4 B 35 Lg.</u>				3 Burned
4. <u>"</u>	<u>22 1/2" F/Lg.</u>				4 Chipped
5. <u>"</u>	<u>13 B 1/2" x 1 1/2"</u>				5 Condition Unknown
6. <u>"</u>	<u>4 B 1/2" x 1 1/2"</u>				6 Contents Unknown
7. <u>"</u>	<u>12 Lg. 1 1/2"</u>				7 Cracked
8. <u>"</u>	<u>11 B 22 1/2" Lg.</u>				8 Dented
9. <u>Chair</u>	<u>8 T. 24 ft.</u>				9 Faded
10. <u>Arm Chair</u>	<u>Knob B 22 1/2" x 1 1/2"</u>				10 Gouged
1. <u>Metal Bk. St.</u>	<u>17</u>				11 Holes
2. <u>T.V. Tray</u>	<u>17</u>				12 Loose
3. <u>Bk. Ch.</u>	<u>PBO</u>				13 Marred
4. <u>Chair</u>	<u>11 B 1 1/2" x 1 1/2"</u>				14 Mech. Condition Unknown
5. <u>Occ. Table</u>	<u>4-24-25" w/pegged Lg.</u>				15 Moth Eaten
6. <u>Chair</u>	<u>4-25 Lg.</u>				16 Not Serviced
7. <u>"</u>	<u>17</u>				17 Ordinary (Normal) Wear
8. <u>"</u>	<u>17</u>				18 Owner's Risk
9. <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				19 Packed by Carrier
20. <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				20 Packed by Owner
1. <u>Open Lin.</u>	<u>20-Open 18.</u>				21 Padded & Wrapped
2. <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				22 Rubbed
3. <u>"</u>	<u>Open 20-6</u>				23 Rusty
4. <u>"</u>	<u>4 Lg 4-25 Lg.</u>				24 Scraped
5. <u>"</u>	<u>22-25 Lg 22 Lg.</u>				25 Scratched
6. <u>"</u>	<u>2 T Lg. -14.</u>				26 Snagged
7. <u>"</u>	<u>Open 20-6</u>				27 Soiled
8. <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				28 Split
9. <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				29 Stained
30. <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				30 Torn
					31 Mildewed
					32 Very Worn
					33 Very Bad Order
					34 Leaking
					35 Perishable
					36 Does Not Operate
					LOCATION
					A-L Arm, Left
					A-R Arm, Right
					B Bottom
					C Corner
					D Back
					E Edge
					F Front
					G Glass
					H Frame
					J Drawer
					L Left
					Lg Leg (Specify which leg)
					M Mirror
					N Seat
					P Pillow (Cushion)
					R Rear
					Rt Right
					S Side
					Top Top
					V Veneer
DRIVER: (WRITE HERE or warehouse at origin leave last copy. Original papers.) SHIPPER: ALL DAMAGE LISTED HEREON. SEE REV SHEET.					
DATE PLACE 3-14-63 <u>Wich</u> 3-18-63 <u>K.C.K.</u> We Certify That The Count and Condition Of Items Listed in Column Is As Noted in This Column 194 <u>Wich</u> 194 <u>Wich</u> Signature of Driver Owner's WHSE Signature					
DATE PLACE No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above DATE PLACE No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above DATE PLACE No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above DATE PLACE No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above Van No. Signature of Driver Owner — Agent's WHSE Signature					

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Color of Tape White

Sheet # 2 of 5 Sets

A Drivers List and count all items separately Do not group barrels, boxes, cartons or other containers		B Condition of shipment at origin	C Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	D Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	E Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	CONDITION
1	Fire Sprayer, vac.	3-				1 Bent
2	Wood Crate	19				2 Broken
3	" "	19				3 Burned
4	" "	19				4 Chipped
5	" "	19				5 Condition Unknown
6	Pale Soap	24-25				6 Contents Unknown
7	Leg. Chair	20-6				7 Cracked
8	Wood Hole	20-6				8 Dented
9	" "	20-6				9 Faded
10	" "	20-6				10 Gouged
11	Chair	21-4.25				11 Holes
12	Chair	4-24-7 top edge				12 Loose
13	Quarrel Base	25 ft.				13 Marred
14	Occ. Chair	4-22-25 leg.				14 Mech. Condition Unknown
15	Head Base	25 ft.				15 Moth Eaten
16	Foot Base	25 ft.				16 Not Serviced
17	Recon. Plym. (Portals)	30 ft.				17 Ordinary (Normal) Wear
18	Box Spring	17				18 Owner's Risk
19	Matt.	17				19 Packed by Carrier
20	End Table	17				20 Packed by Owner
21	" "	17				21 Padded & Wrapped
22	Wood Board	17				22 Rubbed
23	Foot "	25 top				23 Rusty
24	Box Spring	17				24 Scraped
25	Matt.	17				25 Scratched
26	Quarrel Styl	2 B 22 leg.				26 Sagged
27	Quarrel Base	24 ft.				27 Soiled
28	Ty. Case	25 ft. Side, 15 top				28 Split
29	Quarrel	4-8-24-25 ft top				29 Stained
30	End Table	4-8-24-25				30 Torn
DRIVER: (WRITE HEAVY) Give last copy (Yellow) to shipper or warehouse at origin. At each delivery or change of handlers, leave last copy. Original and/or remaining copies send in with your papers.		3-14-63 MILK, 3-18-63 K.C.K.				31 Mildewed
SHIPPER: ALL DAMAGE OR LOSS MUST BE LISTED HEREON.						32 Very Worn
SEE REVERSE SIDE OF YELLOW SHEET.						33 Very Bad Order
						34 Leaking
						35 Perishable
						36 Does Not Operate
						LOCATION
						A-L Arm, Left
						A-R Arm, Right
						B Bottom
						C Corner
						D Back
						E Edge
						F Front
						G Glass
						H Frame
						J Drawer
						L Left
						Lg Leg (Specify which leg)
						M Mirror
						N Seat
						P Pillow (Cushion)
						Re Rear
						Rt Right
						S Side
						Top Top
						V Veneer

Grayhound Van Lines, Inc.

CF Van Lines, Division of

Johnson Storage &amp; Moving Co.

COMBINATION INVENTORY and OVER, SHORTAGE and DAMAGE REPORT First Tape Number Used 44

I.C.C. MC-14786

Consolidated Freightways -

Denver, Colorado I.C.C. MC-89442

ORDER  
NO.G.B.L.  
NO.Color of Tape White

57 W. Grand Ave., Chicago 10, Illinois

Shipper's Name

Rank

Sheet # 3 of 5 Sets

A	Drivers list and count all items separately Do not group barrels, boxes, cartons or other containers	B	Condition of shipment at origin	C	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	D	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	E	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	CONDITION
6	Head Board	24-25 ft								1 Bent
2	" "	24-25 ft								2 Broken
3	Foot "	4-8-25 ft top								3 Burned
4	" "	1-8-25 ft top								4 Chipped
5	Bed Rails (4)	24-25								5 Condition Unknown
6	O.S. Plyer Plastic	27								6 Contents Unknown
7	Acorn Plyer	1-11								7 Cracked
8	Box Spring	17								8 Dented
9	" "	17								9 Faded
10	Matt.	17								10 Gouged
1	" "	17								11 Holes
2	Diaper Case	4-8-24-25 top - Phillips								12 Loose
3	Wood Box	20-6								13 Marred
4	Ice Box	20-6								14 Mech. Condition Unknown
5	O.S. Plyer Plastic	27								15 Moth Eaten
6	Diaper	3-8-20								16 Not Serviced
7	Head Board	4-24 top								17 Ordinary (Normal) Wear
8	Foot "	24-25 ft.								18 Owner's Risk
9	T.V. Portable	14								19 Packed by Carrier
10	Metal Shelf	17								20 Packed by Owner
1	Mattress									21 Padded & Wrapped
2	Box Spring									22 Rubbed
3	Chest	4-8-25-24-25								23 Rusty
4	Couch	30-Back Arms Cuddlers								24 Scraped
5	Recl. Chair	30-33								25 Scratched
6	Other	30-33								26 Snagged
7	Table	2-25-29 top								27 Soiled
8	Desk, table (Dresser)	13-								28 Split
9	Wood Chairs (2)	- Table Lovers								29 Stained
10	Desk Chairs (6)(3)	17								30 Torn
DRIVER: (WRITE HEAVY) Give last copy (Yellow) to shipper or warehouse at origin. At each delivery or change of handlers, leave last copy. Original and/or remaining copies send in with your papers.		3-14-63 Rule 3-18-63 K.C.K.								31 Mildewed
SHIPPER: ALL DAMAGE OR LOSS MUST BE LISTED HEREON.		DATE PLACE		DATE PLACE		DATE PLACE		DATE PLACE		32 Very Worn
We Certify That The Count and Condition Of Items Listed In Column A As Noted In This Column		No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above		No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above		No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above		No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above		33 Very Bad Order
1961 H. H. H. H.		K.C.K.								34 Leaking
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		35 Perishable
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		36 Does Not Operate
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		LOCATION
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		A-L Arm, Left
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		A-R Arm, Right
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		B Bottom
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		C Corner
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		D Back
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		E Edge
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		F Front
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		G Glass
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		H Frame
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		I Drawer
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		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Lg Leg (Specify which leg)
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		M Mirror
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		N Seat
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		P Pillow (Cushion)
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Re Rear
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Rt Right
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		S Side
		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature		Top Top
		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		Signature of Driver		V Veneer
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SEE REVERSE SIDE OF YELLOW SHEET.

Greyhound Van Lines, Inc.

CF Van Lines, Division of  
Consolidated Freightways -  
Portland, Oregon I.C.C. MC-42487

Johnson Storage & Moving Co.  
Denver, Colorado I.C.C. MC-89442

COMBINATION INVENTORY and OVER, SHORTAGE and DAMAGE REPORT

First Tape Number Used 91

I.C.C. MC-14786

Shipper's Name

Bureau

Rank

ORDER  
NO.

G.B.L.  
NO.

Color of Tape White  
Sheet # 4 of 5 Sets

57 W. Grand Ave., Chicago 10, Illinois

A	B	C	D	E	CONDITION
Drivers List and count all items separately Do not group barrels, boxes, cartons or other containers	Condition of shipment of origin	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	
91. <u>File Cab</u>	<u>13-24-25</u>				1 Bent
2 <u>Diner Se. (Not Seined)</u>	<u>13-24-25-top 14</u>				2 Broken
3 <u>Metal Shelves (5)</u>	<u>17</u>				3 Burned
4 <u>Pic Table &amp; Benches</u>	<u>17</u>				4 Chipped
5 <u>Tom &amp; Ann (Self Seal, Picking)</u>	<u>17</u>				5 Condition Unknown
6 <u>Bike</u>					6 Contents Unknown
7 <u>Pink Ray Table</u>					7 Cracked
8 <u>City Mignon</u>	<u>19</u>				8 Dented
9 <u>Wood Case</u>	<u>19</u>				9 Faded
100 <u>"</u>	<u>19</u>				10 Gouged
1 <u>"</u>	<u>19</u>				11 Holes
2 <u>"</u>	<u>19</u>				12 Loose
3 <u>Meepers (Not Seined)</u>	<u>25-M Sub 4-25 km</u>				13 Marred
4 <u>Stair Se</u>	<u>25-top</u>				14 Mech. Condition Unknown
5 <u>Long Board</u>	<u>3-</u>				15 Moth Eaten
6 <u>Step Stair</u>	<u>17</u>				16 Not Serviced
7 <u>Wet Ben Table</u>	<u>4-25 Seis</u>				17 Ordinary (Normal) Wear
8 <u>1/2 " Chair 161</u>	<u>4-25 Seis</u>				18 Owner's Risk
9 <u>Leg Chn</u>	<u>20-6</u>				19 Packed by Carrier
110 <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				20 Packed by Owner
1 <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				21 Padded & Wrapped
2 <u>Wed Ch</u>	<u>20-6</u>				22 Rubbed
3 <u>Long Ch</u>	<u>20-6</u>				23 Rusty
4 <u>Wed Ch</u>	<u>20-6</u>				24 Scraped
5 <u>Leg Ch</u>	<u>20-6</u>				25 Scratched
6 <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				26 Snagged
7 <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				27 Soiled
8 <u>Dish Pake</u>	<u>19</u>				28 Split
9 <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				29 Stained
0 <u>"</u>	<u>20-6</u>				30 Torn

# LOCATION

A-L Arm, Left  
A-R Arm, Right  
B Bottom  
C Corner  
D Back  
E Edge  
F Front  
G Glass  
H Frame  
J Drawer  
Left Left  
Leg Leg (Specify which leg)  
M Mirror  
N Seat  
P Pillow (Cushion)  
Rear Rear  
Right Right  
Side Side  
Top Top  
Veneer Veneer

DRIVER: (WRITE HEAVY) Give last copy (Yellow) to shipper or warehouse of origin. At each delivery or change of handlers, leave last copy. Original and/or remaining copies send in with your papers.

SHIPPER: ALL DAMAGE OR LOSS MUST BE LISTED HEREON.

SEE REVERSE SIDE OF YELLOW SHEET.

FORM 76 (8-61)

DATE PLACE  
We Certify That The Count and  
Condition Of Items Listed in Column  
A Is As Noted in This Column

DATE PLACE  
No change in condition of goods or  
loss as recorded in preceding  
column except as noted above

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Signature of Driver

Van No. Signature of Driver

Van No. Signature of Driver

Agent's WHSE Signature

Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature

Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature

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ICG MC-14786

Portland, Oregon - I.C.C. MC-42487

ORDER  
NO.

G.B.L.  
NO.

Color of Tape: White

**57 W. Grand Ave., Chicago 10, Illinois**

**Shipper's Name**

Rank

NO.

NO.

Sheet # 45 of 5 Sets

A	B	C	D	E	F
Driver: List and count all items separately Do not group barrels, boxes, cartons or other containers	Condition of shipment at origin	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	Damage and/or loss not shown in preceding columns must be recorded below.	CONDITION
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5					5 Condition Unknown
6					6 Contents Unknown
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8					8 Dented
9					9 Faded
10					10 Gouged
11					11 Holes
12					12 Loose
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30					30 Torn
31					31 Mildewed
32					32 Very Worn
33					33 Very Bad Order
34					34 Leaking
35					35 Perishable
36					36 Does Not Operate
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• FORM 76 (8-61)

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DATE	PLACE
No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above.	

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DATE	PLACE	REMARKS
		No change in condition of goods or loss as recorded in preceding column except as noted above

Signature of Driver: *[Signature]*  
 Agent: *[Signature]* WYHSE Signature

Owner - Agent's WHSE Signature

Van No. \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Driver \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner or Agent's WHSE Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## LOCATION

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A-R	Arm, Right
B	Bottom
C	Corner
D	Back
E	Edge
F	Front
G	Glass
H	Frame
J	Drawer
Let	Left
Leg	Leg (Specify which leg)
M	Mirror
N	Seat
P	Pillow (Cushion)
Re	Rear
Rt	Right
S	Side
Top	Top
V	Veneer

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(Title)

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92-326-1A1

1. Police reports re arrest of Joe Gurera 3/6/65

Rec'd 3/31/65

Disposition:

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FD-340 (REV. 8-17-62)

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Date Received

3-15-65

From

Kemo P.D.

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

B

To Be Returned

Yes

☐

No

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Description:

Police report in regard  
of J. J. Givens 3-6-65

# INVESTIGATION REPORT

## METROPOLITAN SQUAD

Lead #4/6

KCMCPD

COMPLAINT File #514-777

DATE OF REPORT 3-6-65	OFFICERS [redacted]	OFFICER'S AGENCY KCMCPD	REPORT CLASSIFICATION Progressive Investigation Homicide
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TITLE OF CASE (INCLUDE ALIASES)  
John R. Sims  
2511 Red Bridge Terr.

KEEP ATTACHED TO EXHIBIT  
KC 92-326-1A10

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DETAILS (REPORT ALL FACTS IN LOGICAL SEQUENCE)

INTERVIEW: Joseph Frank Guerra, 9021 Delmar, Prairie Village, KS.

Above officers at 10:30 a.m. went to the home of Joseph Frank Guerra at above address. After identifying ourselves and asking to talk to subject we were told by him that he did not have to tell us anything and for us to get off his property.

[redacted] was called and told us to stand by and watch subject's house. He would contact Johnson Co. Attorney and get a warrant for subject's arrest. At 12:15 p.m. Det. [redacted] and Sgt. [redacted] met us with a warrant #13955 charging subject with knowingly and feloniously obstructing, resist and opposed the sheriff and other law officers in the discharge of their official duties in the investigation of a homicide. This warrant was served by the above officers and the Johnson Co. Sheriff's officers on subject and he was taken into custody. A search of his home incidental to this arrest produced nothing to link him to the John R. Sims homicide.

Guerra was taken to the Johnson Co. Sheriff's Office by Det. [redacted] and Sgt. [redacted] and at 3:00 p.m. in the presence of his attorney, Mr. [redacted] he told us of his whereabouts on 3-4-65 from 12:00 noon to 5:30 p.m.

Guerra states he went to the office of Mr. [redacted], 525 Argyle Building, KCMO, at about 12:00 noon, and the two of them went downstairs to meet [redacted] and [redacted] and Dr. [redacted] Mr. [redacted] drove them all to the Italian Gardens restaurant where they had lunch. They left the restaurant at about 2:00 p.m. and [redacted] dropped Guerra and [redacted] at [redacted] office. Guerra left [redacted] office at about 2:30 or 3:00 p.m. and went to his office at the Insurance City Life Co., 401 E. 13th, RM 0366. He stayed at his office until 4:30 or 5:00 p.m., when [redacted] picked him up and drove him home, arriving at about 5:15 p.m. Guerra's [redacted] was present at his office.

[redacted] address unknown this time.

Note: [redacted] verifies Guerra's story on lunch.

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Det. [redacted]

KCMCPD

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REPORT APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

INVESTIGATION REPORT  
METROPOLITAN SQUAD

# 373

K. C. M. P.D.

COMPLAINT # Sup. # 511-777

JURISDICTION

DATE OF REPORT

3-11-65

OFFICER

Det. [redacted]  
Det. [redacted]

OFFICER'S AGENCY

Indep. Mo. P.D.  
Indep. Mo. P.D.

REPORT CLASSIFICATION

Progressive Investigation  
Honolulu

TITLE OF CASE (INCLUDE ALIASES)

QUINN, JOHN, W  
2511 Red Bridge Terrace

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DETAILS (REPORT ALL FACTS IN LOGICAL SEQUENCE)

On 3-11-65 at approximately 10:20 a.m., Det. [redacted] and [redacted] of the Independence, Mo. Police Department went to the Insurance City Insurance Company located at 401 S. 13th in Kansas City, Missouri where contact was made with a [redacted] of [redacted] in [redacted] [redacted] was contacted in regards to the activities of [redacted] a Mr. Joseph P. Guerra on 3-4-65, between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 4:20 a.m. [redacted] stated she wasn't sure but she thought Mr. Guerra [redacted] question.

[redacted] was present during the interview with [redacted] and he was very hostile toward the reporting officers. He stated that any information which we wanted would have to be obtained through [redacted] attorney.

It is the feeling of the reporting officers that [redacted] should be interviewed at her home as she seemed reluctant to say anything in front of [redacted] not cooperate.

Det. [redacted]

Det. [redacted]

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REPORT APPROVED BY:

Det. [redacted]

(1) Metro Squad

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INVESTIGATION REPORT  
METROPOLITAN SQUAD

Lead #373

Kansas City, Missouri P.D.

COMPLAINT # Sup. 544-777

DATE OF REPORT

3/12/65

OFFICERS

Det.

Det.

OFFICER'S AGENCY

Indep., Mo. P.D.

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REPORT CLASSIFICATION

Progressive Investigation

Homicide

TITLE OF CASE (INCLUDE ALIASES)

SIMMS, JOHN R.

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DETAILS (REPORT ALL FACTS IN LOGICAL SEQUENCE)

On 3/12/65, at approx. 6:30 PM, Det. [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] of the Independence Missouri P.D. went to [redacted]  
[redacted] where contact was made with a [redacted] of  
that address, phone, [redacted] DOB: [redacted]  
[redacted] was contacted in regard to the activities of [redacted] a Mr.  
Joseph F. Guerra on 3/4/65, between the hours of 3:PM and 5:30 PM. [redacted]  
[redacted] stated that on 3/4/65, Mr. Guerra [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] was then asked if Mr. Guerra or Mr. [redacted]  
[redacted] stated that Mr. [redacted] who is  
[redacted]  
way. [redacted] also stated that Mr. [redacted] used to carry insurance for  
the Monarch Electric Company.

Det.

Indep., Mo. P.D.

Det.

, Indep., Mo. P.D.

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REPORT APPROVED BY:

Det. [redacted]



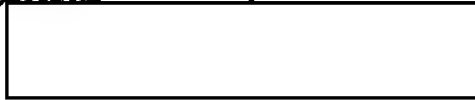
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JOHNSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.  
OLATHE, KANSAS  
ARREST REPORT

650905

S. O. COMPLAINT No. ....

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Sex M <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	Color White	Comp Dk	Place of Employment Self (Insurance)		
Residence 9021 Delmar St. Overland Park, Ks.			Age 39	Birthdate 7-4-29	Height 5-9	Weight 170	Hair Blk	Eyes Brn
CHARGE Suspicion <input type="checkbox"/> Felony <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Obstruct & Resist Sheriff Misdemeanor <input type="checkbox"/> in Investigation of homicide			Auto Involved Make: _____ Color: _____ Year: _____ Body Style: _____ License: _____ Remarks: _____			Place of Birth: Kansas City, Mo. Warrant Number: Johnson County #13955		
Time of Arrest A.M. 12:30 P.M.		Place Arrested 9021 Delmar St. Overland Park, Ks.			Arresting Officer Det. _____ Sgt. _____			
Date March 6, 1965								

## FACTS OF ARREST—(Describe specific act for which arrested)

At 11:30 AM. March 6, 1965, Det. [redacted] and Sgt. [redacted] were assigned by Major [redacted] to arrest Joe Frank Guera, aka Joseph Frank Guera, aka Joe Frank Guerria on Johnson County Kansas Warrant #13955 to wit; Joe Frank Guerria knowingly and feloniously obstruct, resist and oppose the sheriff and other law officers in the discharge of their official duty; in the investigation of a homicide.

On arrival at the Gurera residence, we were met by Det. [redacted] and Det. [redacted] of the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department. attached to the Metro Squad, Joseph Frank Gurera and [redacted] Joseph Frank Gurera was arrested on captioned warrant. A search was made of the residence with negative results.

Gurera was transported to the county jail and confined in lieu of \$15,000.00 dollar bond.

Clearance report taken.

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Det. [redacted]  
Sgt. [redacted]  
2:00 PM  
March 6, 1965



(TYPE OR PRINT)

Name Gurera, Joseph Frank Arrest No. 23587  
Last First Middle

Address 9021 Delmar St. Overland Park, Kansas Residence Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname or alias None Age 39 Sex Male Race White

Occupation Insurance Employer Self Employed  
Name Address

Military Service None Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. Unknown

Scars or Marks None Birthplace K.C.Mo. City State  
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Name of Spouse [ ] Address Same as subject  
first middle

Separated or Divorced No Where Married K.C.Mo. Date 5/14/41

Father's Name Deceased Age \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name Elizabeth Oliver Age 56 Residence K.C.Mo.

Brother's Grown [ ] Age [ ] Residence [ ]

Brother's Grown \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Sister's Grown [ ] Age [ ] Residence [ ]

Sister's Grown \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Children Grown [ ] Age [ ] Residence [ ]

Children Grown \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Charge Obstruct & Resist Sheriff in inv. of Homicide

County K Federal ( ) City Sheriff's Dept. Name Officer [ ]

Bond \$ 15,000.00 Hearing \_\_\_\_\_ Date time court

Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

Committed 3/6/65 2:17 PM. Det. [ ]  
Date Time Jailor

Fingerprinted by \_\_\_\_\_ No. of cards \_\_\_\_\_ Photo by \_\_\_\_\_

Hold Order \_\_\_\_\_ Department Officer Charge

Paroled \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_ Court \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Date

Sentence \_\_\_\_\_ Include Fine, Costs, and Jail Time Date

Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

Released 3-6-65 3:15 PM [ ] Time served \_\_\_\_\_ years  
Date Time Jailor

\_\_\_\_\_ months 1 days. Remarks REL: NO CHARGE.

\_\_\_\_\_ AUTH MAJ. [ ]



RECORDS BUREAU

650905

# WARRANT

WARRANT # 13955-1

STATE OF KANSAS, }  
Johnson County, }

In the Magistrate Court of Johnson County, Kansas  
OLATH DIVISION

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ANY SHERIFF IN

WHEREAS, Complaint in writing under oath, has been made to me, Magistrate, appearing that there are reasonable grounds believing that on or about the 6th day of March, 1965, in Johnson County, Kansas, one

Joe Frank Guerrie

did then and there knowingly and feloniously obstruct, resist and oppose the Sheriff and other law officers in the discharge of their official duty; in the investigation of a homicide.

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You Are Therefore Commanded, forthwith, to arrest said

Joe Frank Guerrie

and bring him before me, at Olath, in said County, to be dealt with according to law; and then and there return this

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court at Olath, in said County, this 6th day of March

1965



Magistrate of the Magistrate Court.

No. ....

# WARRANT

Misdemeanor, Arrest, Examination, Offenders

THE STATE OF KANSAS, Plaintiff,

vs.

Defendant

Filed this, . . . day of, . . . , 19 . . .

Clerk of the Magistrate Court:

Received this Writ. . . . , 19 . . . , 19 . . . , executed the same by  
arresting the within-named . . . and bringing . . . before the within-named Court

Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff

. . . , 19 . . . I cannot find the within-named . . .  
in my county.

Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff

## FEES

Executing Writ, first person. . . . .	\$ . . . . .
. . . . . additional persons, . . . . .	. . . . .
Mileage, . . . . . miles, . . . . .	. . . . .
Attending criminal examination, 1st day, . . . . .	. . . . .
Total, . . . . .	\$ . . . . .

Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff

Recognizance is fixed in the amount of \$ . 15,000 . 00 . for appearance on the . . . day of . . . , 19 . . .

Clerk of the Magistrate Court

SAC, KANSAS CITY [redacted]

May 16,

SA [redacted]

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[redacted]  
CI

CI on May 13, 1958, telephonically advised that he had observed JOE GURERA and [redacted] in JOE GURERA's automobile at approximately 10:20 p.m. on May 12, 1958, in the parking lot located next to the Jungle Club.

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CI stated these two men were taling in the automobile and had the dome light on for some little time.

2 - [redacted]  
1 - 92-109  
1 - 92-114  
1 - 92-Joseph Frank Gurera

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Joe Frank Gurera 92-114-17  
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6-5-58

SA [REDACTED]

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JOHN MANGIARACINA  
AR

[REDACTED] telephonically advised at 4:30 PM. 6-4-58 that he is attending the reception at [REDACTED] which followed the morning wedding of [REDACTED]. He stated that JOE GURERA and [REDACTED] were at the Mangiaracina residence prior to the wedding and that the automobile of [REDACTED] was the first car in the procession to the [REDACTED]. He stated the wedding was preceded by a breakfast and is to be followed by a reception and dinner at [REDACTED].

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CI reported that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] to the church and that [REDACTED]

He stated, however, that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He stated he had not observed CARL DeLUNA and only surmised that [REDACTED] may be with FERINA. He has heard no reports as to where FERINA may be.

At the time of this call CI advised that the reception is well attended and those of prominence which he listed which are of interest to the Bureau were:

NICHOLAS CIVELLA  
CARL CIVELLA

[REDACTED]  
JOE GURERA  
JOHN MANGIARACINA

1 - [REDACTED]  
lcc: 92-109  
92-112  
92-113  
92-116  
92-114  
92-240  
92-258  
92-243

92-123  
92-124  
92-111  
92-JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, FBI #4059366

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SAC [redacted]

6/19/58

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SA [redacted]  
[redacted]

CI on 6/18/58 telephonically advised that on the night of 6/17/58 at Michael's Tavern on east 9th Street, he had observed [redacted] JOE GURERA, [redacted] NICK EVOLA (Paramount Music Co.), and an unknown woman.

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[redacted]  
1 cc: 92-109  
1 cc: 92-271  
1 cc: 92-326  
1 cc: 92-new (Nick Evola)  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 6-25-58

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

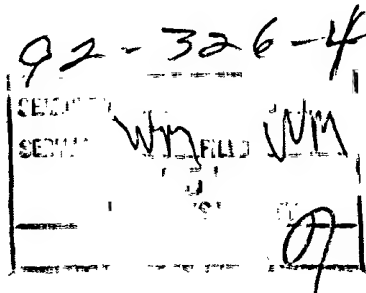
[REDACTED] in a roving contact in CI's automobile, for approximately two hours, on June 23, 1958, furnished the following information:

JOE GURERA is reported to have recently purchased a home for approximately \$40,000 located in Southeast Kansas City, about 95th Street.

1 - 92-326

1 - 92-109

1 - [REDACTED]

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SAC

7-28-58

SA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
CI during a roving contact in CI's automobile on July 22, 1958, advised that on the night of July 21, 1958, [REDACTED], he had observed JOE GURERA, owner [REDACTED]

Later during the evening of July 21, 1958, at [REDACTED] he had observed TONY RIPE (ANTHONY CIVELLA), CARL DE LUNA, [REDACTED] and JOE CARROLA, brother of "Charlie the Wop" who was deported a few years ago. He is also the [REDACTED] who operates a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] JOE CARROLA is connected with the Sebetto Funeral Home and recently suffered a heart attack. CI reports he also observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] JASPER MIRABLIE, [REDACTED] Joe Antenello (phonetic) Booking Agency. He also observed [REDACTED] CARL JAMES CIVELLA.

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- 1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-326  
1 - 92-253  
1 - 92-262  
1 - 92-271

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[REDACTED]

SAC

8-29-58

SA [redacted]

[redacted]

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On 8-28-58, CI advised that he learned that [redacted] and [redacted] had been at [redacted] on the night of 8-27-58, in conference with JOE GURRERA; also that [redacted] had made the comment that he intended to [redacted] in about a week without specifying the reason or what he intended to do [redacted] [redacted] had made the comment that he was doing in Kansas City was spending his money and getting nowhere.

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1 - 261  
1 - 92-324

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SA [redacted]  
[redacted]

9-16-58

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the present On 9-4-58

[redacted] advised that on  
[redacted] he had observed [redacted] at  
[redacted] a lengthy conversation

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1 - [redacted]  
1 - 92-326

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9-18-58

SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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CI telephonically advised on 9-16-58. that he had  
observed JOE GURERRA at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] for the first time since [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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1 - [REDACTED]  
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1 - 92-326

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SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

October 1, 1958

SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
CRIMINAL INFORMANT

During a roving contact on September 29, 1958, CI advised NICHOLAS CIVELLA has been confined to his home for approximately a week with a bad cold.

CI stated that between 1:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. on September 28, 1958, he observed NICK CIVELLA in his automobile parked in front of the Roma Bakery talking to JOE GUERRA, who was standing beside the car.

CI stated that at [REDACTED] 1958, he observed NICK CIVELLA and [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] automobile parked in front of the [REDACTED]. He said he observed they were [REDACTED]

CI [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He stated CIVELLA had apparently [REDACTED]

CI stated apparently there has been a great deal of interest in [REDACTED]

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SUPERVISOR [REDACTED]  
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CI telephonically advised 12/31/68

he had visited  
of 12/30/68,

JOE GUERRA and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] came to his attention.

He observed

Later at the [REDACTED]

he observed

CARL and ANTHONY CIVELLA and JASPER MIRABLES.

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TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 4/22/59

FROM : SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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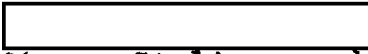
Re report of SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS dated 4/10/59  
at Kansas City, captioned MAFIA; INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(KC 62-6856-73).

The above-captioned individual has been identified  
as a member of the "clique" syndicate by an informant who  
has furnished reliable information in the past.

A 92 case file should be opened and references  
should be reviewed. A description of the subject should  
be obtained as well as a photograph and the latest  
identification record.

Additional data concerning the subject should be  
developed including details as to the relatives of the  
subject by blood and marriage, as well as associates in  
legitimate activities, criminal activities and social  
activities.

Any reference to the Mafia should be reported, and  
investigation should be conducted to determine subject's  
position and connections in that group.

 on 3/27/59 advised that members  
of the Mafia or Italian syndicate born in the old country  
(Sicily or Italy) had a faded tattoo of a cross on the back  
of their hand (either right or left). He had never recalled  
seeing such a mark on American-born Italians.

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Particular attention should be paid to scars and marks if the above-captioned individual was born in Italy or Sicily.



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TO : SAC

DATE: 6-4-59

FROM : SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

On 5-22-59, [redacted] Clerk, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, advised that JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, KC MO PD #46592, had 42 arrests in KC for investigation, molestation, burglary, gambling, vagrancy, disturbing the peace, murder, hold-up, and traffic. He presently resides at 9021 Delaware, and is employed by the Midway Paving Company. As of 2-23-59, he had a 1959 Chevrolet Sedan with license #J/O 17454. His associates were listed as: CARL CIVELLA. #17561; [redacted]

#31069;

JOE [redacted]

CAMMISANO; [redacted]

His wife

was listed as [redacted]

On 5-25-59, Miss [redacted] Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City, advised that a report prepared for Woolf Brothers on 5-2-58 reflected that JOSEPH FRANK GURERA of 9021 Delaware was married; his wife's name was [redacted] and they had four children. He was listed as co-owner of the Midway Paving Company since 1951 and his salary was reported as exceeding \$10,000 a year. Previous residences were: 2818 East 8th Street; 911 East 24th Street; and 537 Forest; all KC MO.

GURERA was previously employed as part-owner of Mag's Recreation Parlor. He banks at the Central Bank of KC MO and his credit is slow to prompt.

The following chattel mortgage was recorded: JOE GURERA to BERT PEARSON Insurance Agency, in the amount of \$1989.90, on 1-4-56, secured by an insurance policy in the name of JOE GURERA with the First National Bank of KC KS.

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GURERA is described as follows:

Name	JOSEPH FRANK GURERA
Race	Mexican
Birth	7-4-25, KC MO
Height	5'9"
Weight	170 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
FBI No.	4059366
KC MO PD No.	46592

A photograph of subject was obtained from the KC MO PD and is filed in 92-326-1A.

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 4 059 366, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	3-17-44	inv check up	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	6-23-44	inv check up	6-24-44 rel by arr off on chg of inv
PD Kansas City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7-7-44	inv check up	7-8-44 rel at request of arresting officer
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7-17-44	inv burg	7-18-44 rel by arr off on chg of inv
PD Kans City Kans	Joe Frank Gurera #9831	7-6-44	vag & susp burg & L	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7-28-44	inv check up	7-29-44 rel by Pros no evidence on chg of inv
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	10-23-44	inv	10-23-44 rel by Chief of Det.
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	12-9-44	inv	12-11-44 rel by arresting officer
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	3-21-45	inv	3-21-45 rel by Vice
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	11-12-45	inv	11-13-45 rel by Homicide
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	3-16-46	inv	3-16-46 rel by arresting Off.
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	4-26-46	inv susp murder	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	1-19-47	inv molestation	1-19-47 rel by by Hom.

Notations indicated by \* ARE NOT BASED ON FINGERPRINTS IN FBI files. These are based on data furnished this Bureau concerning individuals of the same or similar names or aliases and ARE LISTED ONLY AS INVESTIGATIVE LEADS.

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2 The following FBI record, NUMBER 4 059 366, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD, Kans. City, Mo.	Joseph F. Gurera #46592	9-13-47	inv.	9-13-47 rel by Arr. Off.
PD Kansas City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	5-9-50	inv.	5-10-50 disch on chg of vag.
PD Kansas City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	5-10-50	Inv	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	8-24-50	inv	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	8-28-50	inv	
PD Kansas City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	10-23-50	inv check recent act.	10-23-50, Rel req of Arr. Off.
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	2-4-52	Inv check recent act	2-5-52, rel. by Rob. Bur. for want of pros.
PD, Kansas City Mo.	Joe Frank Gurera, #46592	2-17-52	inv. gambling	2-19-52, Disch Freq. & Gamb. \$15. Kpr. on chg of Inv freq & Gamb.
PD Kans City Mo	Joe Frank Gurera #46592	6-5-52	Inv check on recent holdups	6-5-52 rel by GA Bur
PD Kans City, Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	2-14-54	inv check recent actv on freq	2-24-54 disch on chg of inv g
PD Kans City, Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7-20-55	inv chk rec actv & burg & holdups	\$26 #1 8-22-55 on chg of inv speed.

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Director.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
*	As Joseph Frank Guerera #46592 PD Kansas City Mo 2-26-46 investigation 4-26-46 rel		<i>Imus.</i>	

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. This form may be submitted in legible hand-printing.
2. Use separate form for each individual on whom record is requested.
3. Make effort to furnish FBI Identification Number or Law Enforcement Identification Number.
4. Furnish descriptive data and fingerprint classification only when FBI Number not available.
5. Indicate office for reply in lower-left corner only. Also list in lower-left corner all offices which should receive copies of available records. Include carbon of revised FD-9 for each office receiving copies and forward with original to Bureau.
6. Do not fill in block in lower-right corner.
7. Where available furnish Law Enforcement Identification Number and Military Service Number.

To: DIRECTOR, FBI

Attention: Identification Division

Date

5-25-59

Re

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

Furnish The Known Identification Record of the Following:

Name

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

FBI No.

4059366

Other No.

Aliases

Sex	Race	Birth Date	Birthplace	Residence
Height	Weight	Build	Hair	Eyes
				Complexion
				Age

Fingerprint Classification

Scars, marks and tattoos

Also Furnish:

- ☒ Photo  
☐ Fingerprints  
☐ Handwriting Specimens

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Return Reply to:

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- ☐ On basis of information furnished, unable to identify:
- ☐ Criminal Files ☐ Civil Files ☐ All Files
- ☒ Record Attached
- ☒ Photo Attached
- ☐ Photo Not Available
- ☐ Fingerprints Attached
- ☐ Handwriting Specimen Attached

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7/13/59

SA

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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Re memo of SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS dated 4/22/59.

Additional data concerning the subject should be developed, including details as to the relatives of subject by blood and marriage, as well as associates in legitimate activities, criminal activities and social activities.

Any reference to the Mafia should be reported; investigation should be conducted to determine subject's position and connections in that group.

Subject has been reported as operator of the Midway Paving Contractors and is presently residing at 9021 Delmar and also as having a connection with Club Michael's.

The 1958 Kansas City Directory reflects Club Michael's (LOUIS M. CALDARELLO) Tavern, 1715 East Ninth; Midway Paving Contractors (JOSEPH G. GURERA), 2818 East Eighth; and JOSEPH G. GURERA , Midway Paving Contractors. There is no reference to a JOSEPH FRANK GURERA.

The latest Northeast Johnson County, Kansas, Directory reflects no record of JOSEPH G. GURERA, JOSEPH FRANK GURERA or Midway Paving Contractors.

The current telephone directory reflects Club Michael's at 1715 East Ninth; the Midway Paving Contractors at 9021 Delmar; and JOSEPH G. GURERA (Asphalt) at 9021 Delmar. There is no listing for a JOSEPH FRANK GURERA.

In addition to information requested above, it should be definitely determined whether JOSEPH FRANK GURERA and JOSEPH G. GURERA are identical. If not identical, each should be clearly identified as to physical description, background and legal and illegal activities. 92-326-16

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The writer made a spot check of the residence at 9021 Delmar on July 7, 1959, and of Club Michael's, also known as "The Boverly" on July 8, 1959. The residence at 9021 Delmar is located approximately one block west of Mission Road on Ninety-First Terrace in Johnson County, Kansas. It is primarily gray in color, is a new home and is in an area of new homes of an estimated cost ranging from \$40,000 to \$100,000. It is estimated that the residence at 9021 Delmar would have cost a minimum of \$40,000. The mail box in front of this address has the name GURERA on it. Club Michael's appears to be an ordinary tavern in a low-class neighborhood.

*Photo of Joseph Frank Gurera in file*  
-LEADS-

**AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI:**

1. Will contact the following informants:



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2. Will review records of Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.  
(The writer will handle this lead.)

**AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:**

Will, at the Department of Revenue, check appropriate income tax returns regarding JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, JOSEPH G. GURERA, Midway Paving Contractors and Club Michael's.

**AT TOPEKA, KANSAS:**

Will check records of the Department of Revenue, State of Kansas, for income tax records pertaining to JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, JOSEPH G. GURERA and the Midway Paving Contractors.



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TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 7/20/59

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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Gurera  
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Remymemo 7/13/59.

The following records were made available by  
[REDACTED], Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., KCMO on 7/10/59:b6  
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The D & B file pertaining to the Club Michael Tavern, also known as The Bowery, 1715 E. 9th Street, KCMO, reflects a report dated 6/24/59. The owner is listed as LOUIS M. CALDERELLO, who declined to furnish financial information and comments on the business. From available information, it was concluded that the business was started in 1951 and was formerly a partnership between LOUIS M. CALDERELLO and MICHAEL A. CALDERELLO, but LOUIS M. CALDERELLO is now reported as sole owner. LOUIS was reportedly born in 1921, a native of Missouri, married and has been employed in various taverns in the area. He was formerly a steamfitter for Ford Motors and was reportedly a former operator of the P28 Cocktail Lounge here. The tavern is reported as selling beer by the drink with some food sales and sales to the general trade for 100% cash. There were four employees, not named. The building is a one-story cement block building with sales estimated from \$8,000 to \$10,000 monthly. No outside financing was known and there was no information as to banking facilities.

The following information was set forth regarding Midway Paving Contractors. The business was started in February, 1951 as a partnership of JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka Joe G. Guera and BEN CERRA. In May, 1954 the partnership was dissolved and GURERA continues as sole owner. His wife, [REDACTED] is reflected as the bookkeeper. The business operates

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in the greater Kansas City area as a contracting business, paving roads, parking lots and driveways, doing concrete and asphalt work, and doing incidental excavation work relative to the above types of contracting. The business operates from the owner's home, formerly 2818 E. 8th Street, KCMO and since October, 1958 at 9021 Delmar, Johnson County, Kansas. The business is described as a steadily growing and successful one and GURERA is described as well experienced and well regarded in this type of work.

The most recent estimates placed the net worth of the business at approximately \$100,000 and the previous year's ~~of~~ sales at \$160,000, with profits in the low five figures. No outside financing was reported. Number of employees varies according to the job and was recently reported as 15.

The following information was set forth pertaining to GURERA.

He was reportedly born in 1924; a native of Missouri; and married; from 1944 to 1948 he was the partner operating the Hotel Main at 1426 Main Street, KCMO; from 1949 to 1950 operated a trucking business in KCMO; nine months in 1950 to 1951 operated a service station in KCMO with moderate success. On March 11, 1957 he entered [redacted] to operate Labo's and Joe's Delicatessen, 1211 Linwood, KCMO. The business suffered a fire loss 9/1/57 and operations have been discontinued. On 9/5/58 an indictment was returned by the County Grand Jury, case number 28806, Jackson County Circuit Court, charging GURERA with arson of insured property in connection with explosion and fire at the delicatessen 9/1/57.

The case was continued to November 10, 1958 and GURERA was released on \$5,000 bond. No further information was recorded as to disposition of this case.

The file reflects that GURERA has a police record of 37 arrests prior to June 5, 1952.

[redacted] was described as age [redacted] (April 1953):  
married; [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Records of the Circuit Court of Jackson County, KCMO, case number C28806, reflects that a Grand Jury indictment was returned 9/1/58 charging JOSEPH FRANK GURERA [redacted] with wilfully setting a fire at 1211 Linwood Blvd., KCMO, which premises was insured by Queen Insurance Company, a New York corporation. Bond of \$5,000 each was furnished by [redacted]

[redacted] Attorneys for GURERA were listed as [redacted]

[redacted] Attorney for [redacted] was [redacted]

The indictment was dismissed 3/4/59 on petition of the state, after motion by defense attorneys to strike eight states witnesses, as one was deceased and the other seven could not be located by defense attorneys or the Prosecutors Office for taking of depositions by the former.

On 7/13/59 Detective [redacted] KCMO PD, advised he was one of the officers who had investigated the above case and that all pertinent information was set forth in an investigative report, which should be in the file jackets of the defendants in the Records Bureau, KCMO PD.

With reference to GURERA, [redacted] stated that he felt certain GURERA is of Italian decent and not of Mexican decent as previously reported. He stated he believes GURERA is an associate of "the north side Italian hoodlums", but that he could furnish no detailed information in this regard.

On 7/13/59 Mrs. [redacted], Clerk, Records Division, KCMO PD furnished records pertaining to GURERA and [redacted]. It is noted that GURERA'S arrest record has previously been set forth. [redacted] has a record of several arrests.

Records pertaining to [redacted] did not reflect any record of the above arson charge and records pertaining to GURERA contained only a stamped notation on an arrest card of the fact he had been indicted by a Grand Jury. Mrs. [redacted] located the investigative report concerning the above arson investigation in the police arson file. This file reflected information which was the basis of charging GURERA and [redacted] with arson.

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

DATE: 7/20/59

FROM : SA SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka Joe G.  
Gurera  
AR

Subject reportedly born 7/4/25 at KCMO.

LEAD:

KANSAS CITY:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

Will check records of the Bureau of Vital  
Statistics for birth record pertaining to subject and  
record all available information.*RTW*  
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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka Joe G.  
Gurera  
Anti-Racketeering

Subject was born July 4, 1925 at Kansas City, Mo.

St. Louis requested to locate and review any record  
of military service.

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1 Kansas City

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM - United States Government

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TO: SAC [REDACTED]

Date: 7/22/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

X PCI \_\_\_\_ PSIDates of Contact: 7/16/59

Titles and File #s on which contacted:

JOE GURERA326  
92-267

## Purpose and results of contact:

Negative  
X Positive PCI stated that he did not know GURERA by name, but that he had casual acquaintanceships with many of the Italian element due to his long association in the [REDACTED] and his previous long association with [REDACTED] and that he knew many of them by sight but not by name. PCI said he thought [REDACTED] (phonetic) was operator of [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] but this appears to be an erroneous identification, as the owner is listed in city directory as [REDACTED]

PERSONAL DATA:

Security informant certified that he had furnished all information obtained by him since last contact

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Kansas City (92-326)

DATE: 7-28-59

FROM : SA RUSSELL R. GIRSCH

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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Re memo to SAC from SA [redacted]  
7-13-59.

On 7-20-59, Mrs. [redacted] Receptionist, Kansas Motor Vehicle Department, State Office Building, advised that a review of the Kansas operator's and chauffeur's licenses files failed to reveal the listing of a JOSEPH FRANK GURERA or a JOSEPH G. GURERA.

On 7-21-59, [redacted] Income Tax Division, Kansas Department of Internal Revenue, State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas, advised that a review of the individual income tax records failed to reveal a listing of a JOSEPH FRANK GURERA or a JOSEPH G. GURERA. The files revealed that on 3-30-59 JOE GURERA and wife, [redacted], 9027 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas, filed a combined 1958-1959 Kansas state individual income tax return. The return stated that no 1957 income tax return was filed inasmuch as the returnees had not lived in the State of Kansas in 1956 or 1957. The following were listed under other dependents:

[redacted]

The relationship was not listed. JOE GURERA listed himself as self-employed as a partner with the Midway Paving Company, Kansas City, Missouri, and his wife, [redacted] as a housewife. Total income reported was \$4,119.72 income from the Midway Paving Company partnership. This return bore a notation that a "1065 was filed in Kansas City, Missouri, on 12-31-58." The return had been prepared by [redacted] Public Accountant, [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri. JOE GURERA'S Social Security number was listed as 500-14-8005.

LEAD:

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI:

*Write memo*

Will consider checking the federal Internal Revenue files as GURERA had listed having filed a 1065 on 12-31-58 at Kansas City, Missouri.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC [redacted]

DATE: 7/28/59

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted], aka  
PCI

☒ PCI ☐ PSI

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**Dates of Contact**

7/27/59

**Titles and File #s on which contacted**

[redacted]

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA 92-326

**Purpose and results of contact**

☒ Negative  
☐ Positive

Photographs of the above four subjects were exhibited to PCI, but he was unable to effect any identification of any of them.

He stated the only person he had ever known by the name of GURERA was a PAUL GURERA, now deceased, who would have been approximately 60 years old if still alive. He did not know whether JOSEPH FRANK GURERA could be his son or not and had no intimate knowledge of this family, its members or its business affairs, legitimate or illegitimate, and did not recognize a photograph of JOSEPH FRANK GURERA.

No discussion has been had with PCI concerning payments of money or the fact they must be considered income since no payments are yet contemplated, and the need for this has not arisen.

PCI continues to exhibit a cooperative attitude.

Interested agents notified by copy or routing slip.

☐ Security Informant certified that he had furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

**Personal Data**

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 7/30/59

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FROM :

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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Rememo of SA [ ] dated 7/13/59. Period: 7/21-29/59.

Part. Syn:

JOE GURERA has had interest in MIDWAY OR MIDWEST PAVING CO., Kansas City, Missouri. Also has had interest in HABO'S AND JOES DELICATTESEN, 1211 Linwood, KCMo which closed August 31, 1957 because of a fire.

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Details: At [ ]

The following information is highly con-fidential, and the source should not be revealed under any circumstances.b6  
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This was the only GULIA identifiable with information contained in referenced memo.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 7/31/59

FROM : SA BARTEL ZANDSTRA

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
Joe G. Gurera  
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Re memo of SA [redacted] dated 7/20/59.

On 7/27/59 [redacted], Clerk, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Jefferson City, Mo., advised their records reflect that a JOSEPH GURERA was born 7/5/25 to CARL GURERA and ELIZABETH MANGIARCINO at 525 Forest Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

Occupation of father, CARL GURERA given as Huckster, age 25, place of birth KCMO.

Occupation of mother, ELIZABETH MANGIARCINO, given as housewife, place of birth Louisiana, age 16.

Place of birth of JOSEPH GURERA reflected as St. Vincent Hospital. Attending physician: LYLE G. WATTELS, 311-16 Argyle Building, KCMO.

This certificate filed 7/12/25.

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TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 8/4/59

FROM :

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b7cSUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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Re memo of SA RUSSELL R. GIRSCH dated 7/28/59 to obtain Federal income tax information, which would necessitate a question of the Bureau to obtain such information at Washington, D. C.

*request*

It does not appear at the present time that the value of the information which could be obtained warrants such a question of the Bureau. Therefore, this lead is being disregarded, at least for the present time.

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TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 8/4/59

FROM :

*psw*SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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Re form FD 160, indices search slip dated 7/8/59.

References reflected thereon are consolidated  
herewith.

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92-115-5, page 9

92-115-14, page 12

62-6856-73, page 26

62-5666, serials 129,  
192, 196, 254 &  
505

Instant main file.

GURERA identified 12/13/57 as having been associate in the past of CARL CIVELLA. GURERA identified as associate of CARL CIVELLA and his KCMO PD record synopsis. GURERA described by Major  KCMO PD as a well-known local gambler, but was more of a frequenter than an operator of gambling games.

No reference to GURERA located on page 26; however, the following reference is located on page 17 of referenced serial: On 1/13/58

 Wichita, Kansas and former 

KCMO PD, stated that from information he had received, GURERA, along with  and

were aids to NICHOLAS CIVELLA, "top man" in the Italian syndicate in KCMO. GURERA'S name mentioned several times as possible suspect in the 1947 murder of MARY BONOMO, potential Government witness in a Kansas City vote fraud investigation. It is noted that this file comprises ~~of~~ ten volumes plus *sub-sections* numerous suspects are mentioned, and that information pertaining to GURERA as a suspect appears vague and speculative in character.

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91-336, serials 1893 & 1901

GURERA'S photograph included in bank robbery album and his FBI ID record set forth.

87-1480

This file pertains to a \$500,000 burglary of the Schwarzschild Brothers Jewelry Co., Richmond, Va., 2/13/49. This is a file of numerous volumes and GURERA'S name is mentioned several times as follows: GURERA'S Kansas City telephone number found in possession of [REDACTED] a suspect, in Toledo, Ohio.

Serial 462

Serial 1065

Subject described as associate of [REDACTED]

Serial 1122

GURERA interviewed, 1949, by FBI Agent and denied knowing [REDACTED] or any other individuals in the Kansas City underworld and declined to furnish information of any kind.

Serial 1392

Information set forth in Serial 1122 restated with the additional comment that GURERA is a Nephew of JOHN MANGIARACINA; was nurtured in the north end environment, and has a deep-seated hatred for any law enforcement officer.

94-45

This is the GIIF file and pertains to top hoodlum coverage and serial 63 is GURERA'S FBI ID record.

87-5988-5

GURERA'S description set forth as a known thief and possible fence in the Kansas City area.

94-491

This is the crime survey file. Serial 1982, page 25 reflects that GURERA was arrested in a gambling raid by the KCMO PD, 2/14/54 at the Southern Mansion, 1525 Baltimore Street. Serial 1106 reflects that GURERA was reported as having an interest in a poolhall with the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at the corner of Missouri and Forest Avenues.

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92-111-17

This is a 27 page report regarding JOHN MANGIARACINA, is not indexed, and reference to GURERA was not located. It is noted that GURERA has been reported as a Nephew of JOHN MANGIARACINA who is a well-known member of the Italian hoodlum element in KC.

56-172-1396

This file pertains to an investigation regarding theft of ballots in an August 6, 1946 primary election in KCMO. No reference to GURERA could be located in serial 1396.

25-0-9108

GURERA picked up by KCMO PD 3/17/44 to check his selective service status. He was found to be properly registered and was released.

23-0-261

A newspaper clipping dated 7/29/44 reflecting that GURERA was one of several persons held in connection with theft of liquor from a local tavern.

32-598-3

GURERA'S name submitted to FBI ID Division, 10/5/50 to be included in the newly established single fingerprint section as a local gangster.

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date JULY 8, 1959

Subject

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

Aliases

JOE G. GURERA

Address

9021 DELMAR, JOHNSON CO, KS.

Birth Date

7/4/25

Birthplace

KCMO

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-496)

August 14, 1939

SA [REDACTED]

CHANGED:aka. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference memo of Special Agent RUSSELL P. CURTIS dated June 24, 1939.

The title has been changed to reflect the alias '[REDACTED]', which [REDACTED] Vice Squad, Kansas City, Missouri, advised is a name by which the negro people in Kansas City refer to subject.

On August 4, 1939, [REDACTED] advised that subject has been well known to him for many years as [REDACTED] among the negroes in Kansas City, Missouri. He said this is the only policy operation active in Kansas City at the present time. [REDACTED] stated that subject can be seen almost on a daily basis in the vicinity of the Aurora Hotel, which is [REDACTED] and which is located at 12th and Troost, Kansas City, Missouri.

According to [REDACTED] the pull or selection of the winning number at policy can take place any place, even in a moving automobile, and usually [REDACTED] one or two of his closest aides are present. He stated that the writers and wagers accept the word [REDACTED] his aides as to the winning numbers without protest; however, he is of the opinion that the numbers are changed whenever a number on which a large amount has been pulled.

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1 - 94-107 (Gambling)  
1 - 92-6836 (Mafia)

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[ ] mentioned [ ] and [ ] as negro aides of subject. He said [ ] does not come in direct contact with the vagers or the policy writers, and the writers make their "turn in" to various aides of subject who are usually negroes.

[ ] said several years ago when a number of policy wheels operated in Kansas City and the "take" was very large the north side Italian bunch muscled in and was getting a cut. He said an Italian man could always be seen in the center of the operations of a particular wheel to protect his interest.

[ ] stated he could not make any estimate as to the current "take" by subject; however, he does not believe it is sufficiently large to interest the north side hoodlums as evidenced by the fact no Italian is seen hanging around [ ]. He said he has no doubts that the north side bunch would have moved in on subject if they believed it to be profitable.

With reference to [ ] and GUNRA, [ ] said he has no current information concerning their activities but has had past dealings with both.

With reference to the Mafia, [ ] stated that some sort of an alliance exists among the Italian or Sicilian hoodlums around the country no matter by what name this association may be known or what the details of the organization may be.

[ ] said [ ] and GUNRA have connections with other Italian hoodlums, at least in Kansas City. He said [ ] the Produce Club, which he probably [ ] for some time also and to the best of his knowledge [ ] a fee from the men who gamble at cards and probably at the rate of twenty five cents per hour per player. He said no house games are operated. He stated that the produce market is closed on Wednesday afternoons and many of the men associated with the market cater the club at that time. [ ] said he does not believe that any kitchen or bar is operated at the club but that coffee and sandwiches are probably available. He said the Produce Club has recently been moved to a new location and he assumes that the same situation exists at the new location. [ ] said he does not consider [ ] of any importance among the local hoodlums.

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[ ] said GURERA used to be "tough"; however, he has not heard of any recent hoodlum activities on the part of GURERA. He stated that JOHN MANGIARACINA, who is in the local hoodlum element, is the uncle of GURERA and MANGIARACINA's position has deteriorated in recent years.

[ ] said since the changes in the local administration, resulting from the recent elections, he would imagine that GURERA may have obtained or may be in a position to obtain contracts for work for his paving company.

[ ] furnished the following addresses as the places of the most recent arrests by the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department of the following persons:

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[ ] who is known to the police department as [ ]

[ ] stated these persons are negro women who are policy writers for [ ] and he believes they operate "settin books" at the addresses indicated; however, this can change without notice. He stated he believes the writers obtain approximately 25 to 30 per cent of the amount as commission.

[ ] advised confidentially that the [ ]

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[ ] said he could not identify [ ] who has been mentioned as participating in gambling games in Kansas City, Missouri,

SAC, Kansas City (1127)

8-21-59

SA [redacted]

[redacted]  
PCI

PCI was contacted on 7-30-59 and 8-14-59 at [redacted]  
at which time he advised that he had [redacted]

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PCI stated that after he [redacted] he will be in a position to furnish information concerning criminal activities in vicinity of [redacted] PCI was requested to obtain any information possible concerning JOSEPH FRANK GURERA and [redacted]

RE: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

PCI informed on 8-14-59 that the only GURERA he could find any information about was JOE GURERA, who is a paving contractor and operates a number of dump trucks. He informed that this GURERA has made a lot of money in this operation and is not known to be engaged in any criminal activities at the present time. It is PCI's belief, however, that GURERA was an associate in the past of the criminal element in Kansas City, Missouri, and frequented the Jungle Club where he is believed to be acquainted with CARL CIVELLA and [redacted]

RE: [redacted]

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PCI advised on 8-14-59 that [redacted] dice games for the gambling at the Produce Club in the market area. These games are reported to be operated by CARL CIVELLA. PCI stated he knew of no criminal activities on the part of [redacted] except gambling.

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PCI informed on 8-14-59 that [redacted] is a well-known Kansas City booster and has in the past sold stolen merchandise to [redacted] jewelry and appliance store on about 15th and Central, 92-326-27

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1 - 92-267 [redacted]  
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Kansas City, Kansas. The PCI informed that he does not know whether or not [redacted] still has this contact with [redacted] at the present time. It is to be noted that [redacted] is a [redacted] is a well-known [redacted] and a very [redacted] of the Kansas City, Kansas, police officers who [redacted] on merchandise purchased at [redacted]. [redacted] is also well acquainted with political leaders in the Kansas City, Kansas, area.

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PCI informed that he expects in a few days to [redacted] at which time he will be in a better position to furnish information concerning the criminal activities in the Kansas City area.

SAC [REDACTED]

9/4/59

SA [REDACTED]

CI [REDACTED]

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CI. on 8/13/59, advised he had visited the following  
placed on [REDACTED] and observed the persons listed:

**Broadway Bowling Alley:**

The usual bowlers participated with the exception of:

[REDACTED] CARL DE LUNA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Brown Derby:**

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[REDACTED] and a number of individuals of no importance.

**Michaels:**

JOE GUERRA  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (connected with [REDACTED])

**Pizzeria:**

JOHN KING (Director of Welfare, Kansas City)  
[REDACTED]

ANTHONY CIVELLA, with [REDACTED]  
JOE CARROLLA  
[REDACTED]

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1-92-243  
1-92-253  
1-92-257  
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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 9A/59

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
CI

CI, on 8/26/59, telephonically advised that on 8/25/59 at the Brown Derby, he had observed [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] CI stated that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] records, and CI was given the impression that they had been to Topeka, Ks., on 8/25/59. [REDACTED] made the comment that they were making approximately \$100 a day through the sale of such records. CI stated that in connection with previous information which he has furnished regarding an individual who drives a Cadillac, the license of which is registered to a beauty parlor operator, he has determined this individual as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is reported to be a cousin of [REDACTED] KCMO PD records reflect [REDACTED] has FBI [REDACTED] and his wife is reported to be a beauty parlor operator.

On this occasion CI stated [REDACTED] was talking about the physical strength of [REDACTED] and made the comment that on one occasion [REDACTED] had [REDACTED] out of a dwelling.

At the Gay Nineties, CI observed [REDACTED]

At Michael's Tavern, CI observed JOE GURERA.

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At the Pompei Room, he observed ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] and JOHN KING. According to ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] relatives for two or three weeks.

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SAC [REDACTED]

9/15/59

SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On September 1, 1959, CI telephonically advised that he had observed CARL DELUNA and [REDACTED] as well as JOE CAROLLO and [REDACTED]. He learned that DELUNA and [REDACTED] had been out of town for a few days and had just returned. He learned during the conversation with [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] had been to the Police Department and had [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] Although the purpose of the visit was not explained by [REDACTED] CI believes that it was in connection with [REDACTED] to the Original Toy and Jobbing Mart on West 9th Street.

CI stated that on this occasion [REDACTED] and CAROLLO were talking about CAROLLO's efforts to collect money which had been loaned to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] commented that he had seen [REDACTED] on August 31, 1959 at [REDACTED] apartment in [REDACTED] where he had gone to look at some merchandise that [REDACTED] was offering for sale. [REDACTED] reportedly was arguing that [REDACTED] was not in [REDACTED] but actually in Kansas City and that he had seen him the previous week.

On this date, CI at Michaels observed JOE GURERA.

- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-109
- 1 - 92-243
- 1 - 92-261
- 1 - 92-264
- 1 - 92-276
- 1 - 92-277
- 1 - 92-326
- 1 - 92-262
- 1 - 92-356
- 1 - 92-[REDACTED]
- 1 - 88-3876
- 1 - 87-6828

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[REDACTED]

At the Pompei Room, he observed ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and CARL DELUNA. He ascertained that the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] from Las Vegas, who has [REDACTED] ANTHONY CIVELLA,  
has now returned to Las Vegas.

At the Pizzeria, CI observed CARL DELUNA, [REDACTED]  
and [REDACTED]

CI reported [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He had contacted [REDACTED]  
Inspector, who took him to Judge TOM STUBBS and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

CI reported on this date he had taken [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and arranged through  
[REDACTED] of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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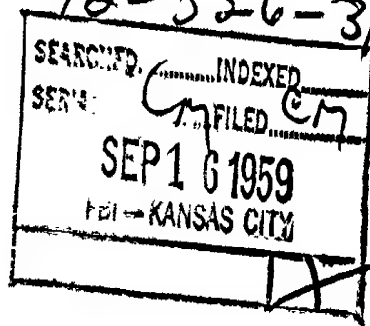
TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 9/16/59

FROM : SA SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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On 8/7/59 PCI  advised SA FINIS Y. SIMS that he did not know the present activities of subject, who he stated is commonly known as "JOE G."

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TO : SAC [REDACTED] DATE: 9/23/59

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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CI during a roving contact 9/14/59, furnished the following information:

The following individuals were observed on the dates and places indicated:

[REDACTED] JOE GUERERA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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CI advised that [REDACTED] while in the parking lot at this establishment was getting ready to [REDACTED] when he was arrested by the KCMO PD. He stated the officers questioned [REDACTED] as to the whereabouts of [REDACTED]. It appeared that the officers were not acquainted with or did not know [REDACTED] when they saw him, as [REDACTED] was nearby at the time and was not recognized by the officers. CI explained that [REDACTED] immediately started attempting to contact an attorney to seek the release of [REDACTED].

9/13/59, Pompeii Room, [REDACTED]

9/13/59, Pizzeria, NICHOLAS CIVELLA, ALEX PRESTA, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ANTONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] JOE CARROLLO, [REDACTED]

CI commented that [REDACTED] the hotel at 1104 Broadway where [REDACTED] was recently arrested.

1 - [REDACTED] 92-519  
92-109 92-520  
92-116 92-523  
92-253 92-525  
92-256 92-526  
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SAC [REDACTED]

9/30/59

SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
CI

CI during a telephone contact 9/30/59, advised he could furnish no additional information re JOE GURERA, his background, or association with "The Clique". He stated that GURERA is occasionally seen at Michael's Tavern, in which he is believed to have an interest, but that he is not seen other places frequented by the Italian element at regular intervals.

1 - [REDACTED]  
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TO: SAC KANSAS CITY [ ]

Date: 10/1/59

FROM: SA FINIS Y. SIMS

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SUBJECT: [ ]

Dates of Contact: September 21, 1959, at [ ]

Titles and File #s on which contacted:

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FRANK JOSEPH GURERA

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Purpose and results of contact:

☐ Negative  
☐ Positive

[ ] advised that FRANK GURERA was now engaged, apparently legitimately, in the paving business. He stated that he did not know the name of the company under which he was operating, but had learned GURERA is operating a paving business for himself. He stated that he did not know of any gambling activities on the part of GURERA.

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[ ] advised that [ ] United Amusement Company, 3410 Main, has recently been involved in a tax claim with the Internal Revenue Department, but had settled this claim; however, he states that [ ] is still worried for fear the internal revenue department will dig up other violations of years for which he has not been examined.

Security informant certified that he had furnished all information obtained by him since last contact

Personal Data

Rating  
 Very good  
 Coverage

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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 10-7-59

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI during a roving contact 10/6/59, advised that [REDACTED] is now and has been for the past two or three weeks [REDACTED] the Pompeii Room.

At the Pompeii and Pizzeria on 10/2/59, CI observed CARL CIVELLA and [REDACTED] the Jungle Club. [REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA [REDACTED] CARL DE LUNA, [REDACTED] with girl friend, [REDACTED] with his brother, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (KCMO PD) and girl friend.

At Michael's Tavern on 10/2/59, observed NICK EVOLA and girl friend.

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On 10/3/59, at the Chez Joie he observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

On the same day at the Pompeii and Pizzeria observed [REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA. [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA with [REDACTED] with girl friend, [REDACTED]

CI reported that on 10/3/59, he heard the report that [REDACTED] had won \$1200 from [REDACTED] at gin rummy. Immediately thereafter [REDACTED] played [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] won \$10,000. CI stated this sounds like an unusually large figure but it is reported to be true.

On 10/4/59, at the Airport Cafe, CI observed [REDACTED]

CI on 10/4/59, did not enter the Produce Club but observed the automobiles of FELIX FERINA, CARL DE LUNA, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] talking together on the sidewalk in front of the Produce Club.

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CI reported that on 11/5/59. as he [redacted]

at Michael's Tavern. [redacted]  
Michael's and [redacted] the arrest of two Italian boys,  
MANUAL PERNICE and VINCE ORLANDO. They had apparently been in  
a fight with an American from whose car they had stolen a TV  
set. CI learned that this man was a very good customer at  
Michael's and when JOE GUERRA learned of the theft he immediately  
suspected PERNICE and ORLANDO and informed them that there would  
be no questions asked and that he wanted the TV returned to the  
owner's automobile. One of the two boys, who CI stated undoubtedly  
was not acquainted with JOE GUERRA or his standing as a "tough  
guy" in the Italian element, started an argument with JOE GUERRA.  
GUERRA knocked this boy down to the sidewalk and some bystander  
had called a police car. CI stated both these boys were drinking  
heavily. JOE GUERRA [redacted]

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[redacted] GUERRA, [redacted]  
trouble. CI stated this clearly indicates GUERRA's interest in  
Michael's Tavern in which he reportedly owns an interest although  
his part ownership will not appear on a written record.

CI reported on 11/5/59, at the Pompeii and Pizzeria  
he observed ANTHONY CIVELLA, who had returned from Chicago on  
10/4/59. He also observed JASPER MIRABILE, [redacted]  
[redacted] JOE CARROLLA, [redacted] ANTHONY CIVELLA with [redacted]  
[redacted] a blonde waitress [redacted]

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[redacted] the Jungle Club, [redacted]

[redacted] reportedly commented to CI that [redacted]  
[redacted] he had observed JOHN KING [redacted]

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CI stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] had commented that while in Chicago he had observed  
NICHOLAS CIVELLA, [redacted] and [redacted]

CI reported a comment made to him by [redacted] that if  
[redacted] runs for sheriff of Jackson Co. he will certainly win.  
He made the comment, "If you can raise any money and [redacted] runs  
be sure and bet on him." [redacted] stated he did not think much of  
the chances of [redacted]

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SA [redacted]

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CI 10/9/59, telephonically called attention to an article in the KANSAS CITY TIMES of this date referring to investigation by the Welfare Dept. involving obscene literature at drug stores and news stands in the city. [redacted] agents of the Welfare Dept. were assigned to contact specified locations to spot specified magazines and thereafter notify their department. Other agents would thereafter arrest the operator of the establishment and seize the literature.

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CI advised that [redacted]

[redacted] the Gillis Drug, the Greenwood Pharmacy at 8th & Paseo operated by [redacted] Sam's Liquor and Sundries, 9th & Prospect, as well as one (FNU) [redacted] a Jewish individual who [redacted] operates a drug store on the west [redacted]

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CI advised that on 10/8/59, he visited Michael's Tavern where he observed JOE GUERRA, [redacted] and [redacted]

At the Pompeii Room he observed [redacted]

JASPER MIRAHILE, ANTHONY CIVELLA, JOE CARROLLO, [redacted]

and [redacted]

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The news article in the KANSAS CITY TIMES of 10/9/59, reflects that police and welfare officers made seven arrests at places offering obscene magazines and literature in connection with the drive on obscenity.

It is to be noted that considerable publicity appeared in the KANSAS CITY STAR issues of 10/10,13,14/59. JOHN KING, Director of Welfare, was quoted on several occasions regarding this drive on obscenity.

It is to be noted that none of the Italian establishments were listed in connection with a total of nine arrests made in this drive with the possible exception of [redacted] the Morrissey Drugs, 801 W. 39th.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 11/3/59

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

During a roving contact on 10/26/59, CI telephonically advised that the following were noted at the Pompeii Room on the night of 10/23/59: ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA, CARL DE LUNA. Also at the Pompeii Room on the night of 10/24/59, the following were observed: [REDACTED] and wife, FELIX FERINA, CARL DE LUNA, ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] and wife, [REDACTED] and a number of others of lesser importance.

At approximately 1:30 a.m. on 10/25/59, the following arrived at the Pompeii Room (previously observed by agent at Eddy's Restaurant): [REDACTED] and wife, [REDACTED] and wife, [REDACTED] (PH) and wife (formerly worked at Southern Mansion), [REDACTED] and WIFE. [REDACTED] is [REDACTED]'s brother-in-law.

At the Jungle Club on 10/23/59, CI observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, JOE CARROLLA and [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA was observed talking to [REDACTED] prior to the arrival of JOE CARROLLA and [REDACTED]

On the night of 10/24/59, at the Inferno, 41st & Troost, [REDACTED] CI observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

CI advised on 10/26/59, [REDACTED] JOE GUERRA at [REDACTED] GUERRA mentioned that the hunting crowd of ALEX PRESTA, [REDACTED] and others was back from South Dakota and ALEX PRESTA had injured a knee falling off the fender of an automobile.

CI stated on 10/25/59, [REDACTED] 24th and had passed. He was scheduled for an interview on Tuesday, 10/27/59. CI stated that [REDACTED]

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Drug Store for the purpose of bringing this information to NICHOLAS CIVELLA who had indicated previously that after the application was filed "they" would encourage his appointment. NICHOLAS CIVELLA was not present but CI noted CARL CIVELLA, FELIX FERINA, [REDACTED] and JOE CARROLLA. [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA of the information furnished by [REDACTED] and CARL CIVELLA [REDACTED] to JOE CARROLLA, who he stated was to see NICHOLAS CIVELLA at 11:00 a.m. on 10/26/59. CI stated he [REDACTED]

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: 11/4/59

FROM : SA

SUBJECT:

CI telephonically advised 11/3/59, that he had just learned that WILLIE CAMMISANO had purchased the drug store formerly known as King's Drug, at 31st & Main Sts. (southeast corner) and that [ ] brother of [ ] is employed there.

CI reported on the night of 11/2/59, he had been at [ ] JOE GURERA. He also observed one [ ] who is reported to have been released from the [ ]. He was accompanied by his wife, who is Italian. He is a former associate of [ ].

On the night of 11/2/59, he observed the following at the Pompeii Room: JOE CARROLLA, [ ], JASPER MIRABILE, [ ], CARL CIVELLA, with [ ] and girl friend, [ ] AND [ ] CARL DE LUNA, [ ]

CI advised he had contacted [ ] on [ ] and informed him of the difficulties he had had with [ ]. He stated [ ] informed him that he would contact [ ] and CI would experience no further difficulty with him. He further advised that [ ] is taking over the [ ] for [ ].

CI advised he had previously failed to report that on about 10/27/59, [ ] who is a [ ] at [ ] had furnished the information that [ ] (PH), who had been in prison for counterfeiting, had been released about ten days before. He recalled that [ ] at one time reportedly associated with [ ] following BINAGGIO's death. CI reported that he is acquainted with BINAGGIO's former [ ], who is employed at the [ ] and who [ ] at one of the polling places during election. He is also acquainted with [ ] but is not well acquainted with his activities. He believes [ ] is also employed in some county capacity.

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-109)

DATE: 12-3-59

FROM: SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS

SUBJECT: TOP HOODLUM PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

On 11-24-59, PCI [ ] advised that on 11-17-59, approximately 200 persons attended a bachelor dinner honoring [ ]. In an invitation to the affair, which featured [ ]'s picture and which contained the notation, "Meet the Latest Member of the Family", [ ] was described as [ ]'s soon-to-be son-in-law. Blank checks in the amount of \$12.50 were sent to various persons. The \$12.50 was payable to [ ] one of the committee in charge. [ ], is an associate of [ ]. Others on the committee were [ ] a disk jockey, [ ] a son-in-law of Top Hoodlum [ ], [ ] Teamsters and Chauffeurs Union, and [ ].

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PCI advised that the dinner was sponsored by the above individuals and not by the Teamsters and Chauffeurs Union or the Italian Social Club. It was held at the Pickwick Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri.

[ ], is presently [ ] which is supported by monthly contributions of one dollar each from Teamsters and Chauffeurs Union members. In return the members and their families receive any medical treatment that can be handled in the clinic and not requiring hospitalization.

Among persons present at the dinner were [ ]

[ ] District 56 and also Local 41, Teamsters

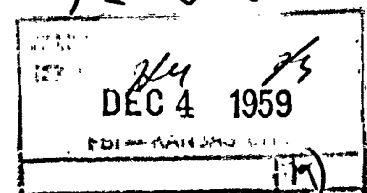
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and Chauffeurs Union; [redacted] Local 955,  
Teamsters and Chauffeurs Union; [redacted]  
Local 541, Teamsters and Chauffeurs Union. Among top hoodlums  
who were present were [redacted] NICHOLAS CIVELLA, CARL  
CIVELLA [redacted]  
[redacted] and JOSEPH  
FRANK "JOE G." GUERERA. ALEX PRESTA was not present.

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After the meal gambling games were played among those  
present.

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The above information has been confirmed by [redacted]  
and a separate source at the Pickwick Hotel.

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PCI [redacted] of Top Hoodlum  
[redacted] and [redacted] advised on 11-24-59,  
that money was going from the Di Renna Clinic to "The Clique,"  
composed of Kansas City top hoodlums. She was unable to furnish  
more specific information but claimed this income far greater  
than that obtained by "The Clique" from gambling operations.

On the same date PCI [redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] is getting ready to move into [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] and set up policy in those cities. This has not been  
verified by other sources.

A copy of the invitation to the affair has been attached  
hereto as a serial in 92-109.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/30/59

FROM: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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On 12/14/59 during a roving contact the list of license numbers and registration data supplied on this date by the Missouri Highway Patrol of automobiles observed at the NICHOLAS CIVELLA party at Mirror Lake were discussed with CI and he has furnished the following additional data:

The original list of licenses as furnished by the Highway Patrol is being numbered 1 through 39 and in order to locate the particular license on this list, the data set forth hereinafter will bear the number corresponding with that on the above-mentioned list.

CI explains that many of the license numbers appear to be those of individuals who were probably the waiters, catering company employees and kitchen help. It also appears that many of these license numbers were obtained from automobiles parked in the lower parking area and surrounding the lower club house on the highway at the lake. During Agents visits to this area while the party was in progress, it was noted that there was a function going on at the lower club house, which apparently had no connection with the CIVELLA party at the club house located several hundred yards to the north of the highway. All listed below are Missouri licenses unless otherwise indicated.

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2. License 12-825 - NICHOLAS EVOLA, connected with Paramount Music and relative of FELIX FERINA.

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7. License [redacted] - [redacted] a [redacted] and good friend of members of the Clique.

8. License [redacted] - [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] FILARDO and CIVELLA at Senate hearings involving Apalachin meeting.

9. [redacted] - [redacted] who is closely associated with CIVELLA and friends and is known to have been previously contacted in one major 87 Kansas City case and is believed by CI to be [redacted]

12. License [redacted] - [redacted] for many years associated with the Clique handling their [redacted] activities, policy and other similar gambling activities,

13. [redacted] - [redacted] which is usually used at the Italian functions and by the Italian Social Club.

16. License [redacted] - [redacted] employee at the [redacted] and brother of [redacted]  
[redacted] closely associated with the Clique.

19. [redacted] - [redacted] operates a [redacted] on the west side.

20. D-2809A - Quality Motors, probably driven by [redacted]  
[redacted] NICHOLAS CIVELLA and close associates or [redacted]

21. [redacted] - [redacted], well known associate of the Clique and former power in the organization.

22. [redacted] - [redacted], brother of [redacted]  
of [redacted] and relative of FELIX FERINA.

23. [redacted] - [redacted]  
[redacted]



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24. A9-088 - J & P D-X Service, [redacted]  
[redacted] but is not known to be closely connected with the Clique  
and car may have been loaned.

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25. [redacted] - [redacted], uncle of [redacted]  
close associate and frequent visitor at Pompeii and  
Pizzeria.

26. [redacted] - [redacted] a [redacted] who works for  
[redacted] and others in a construction of their homes.

27. D-388X, - Hoffman Buick Company. On 12/11/59 CI  
observed [redacted] driving an automobile described  
under 27.

28. 192 - JASPER BRANCATO, Missouri State Senator and  
close associate of Clique members.

29. [redacted] - [redacted], wife of [redacted] brother-  
in-law of [redacted]

30. [redacted] - [redacted]  
[redacted] and close companion of JOHN MANGIARACINA.

31. [redacted] - [redacted] believed to be  
son-in-law of [redacted]

32. [redacted] - [redacted] brother of [redacted]  
of [redacted] frequent visitors to Pompeii Room.

33. [redacted] - [redacted] See 32 and 30.

34. [redacted] - [redacted] of [redacted].  
Believed to be closely associated with Clique members and  
[redacted] usually holds Christmas party.

51. X2-528 - Lakeside Country Club [redacted]

52. D3-354C - Drive-In Auto Sales, [redacted]

55. Y40-645 - Lakeside Country Club, [redacted]

57. [redacted] - [redacted] See 55 and 51.

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60. [redacted] - [redacted] Cars owned by FELIX FERINA and such automobiles are subject of investigation by Internal Revenue pertaining to income tax matter.

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61. [redacted] - [redacted], wife of [redacted]

62. [redacted] - [redacted], wife of [redacted]

64. [redacted] - [redacted]  
San Anita Bar, father of [redacted]

65. [redacted] - [redacted], wife of [redacted]  
[redacted]

67. [redacted] - [redacted] nickname [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] NICHOLAS CIVELLA'S Toy Shop on West 9th Street.

69. [redacted] - [redacted], wife of [redacted]  
close associate of NICHOLAS CIVELLA, frequent visitors to Pompeii and Pizzeria.

70. [redacted] - [redacted], close associate of hoodlum element, frequent visitor of Pompeii and Pizzeria. Automobile is blue not green as described.

71. [redacted] - [redacted], known as [redacted]  
[redacted]

73. H81810 - JOHN MANGIARACINA, former top hoodlum and close associate of Clique.

74. [redacted] - [redacted] Keystone Liquors, 9th and Locust.

77. D3-354E - Drive-In Auto Sales, one of [redacted] cars.

79. X85-525, - Van Auto Leasing. This determined to be leased to Teamsters Local 541, driven by (FNU) [redacted]

80. [redacted] - [redacted] and hangs out at the toy shop.

81. [redacted] - [redacted], cousin of [redacted]  
is a gambler; works at the [redacted]

[redacted]  
82. [redacted] - [redacted], son-in-law of [redacted]  
is a [redacted]

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83. Y85-315 - SARANN Auto Leasing. CI believes this  
operated by [redacted] or [redacted]

84. [redacted] - [redacted] aka [redacted] close  
associate of [redacted] and Clique members.

85. [redacted] - [redacted] <sup>Husband</sup> known as [redacted]  
formerly operated the gambling establishment at [redacted]  
[redacted] for the Clique.

86. [redacted] - [redacted]. This car probably driven by  
[redacted]

87. [redacted] - [redacted] Kansas City  
Councilmen.

89. [redacted] - PHILIPS Lumber Company. [redacted] of the  
[redacted] CI reports that [redacted] and members  
of the Clique buy merchandise for the construction of their  
homes at cost at this lumber company.

91. [redacted] - [redacted] prominent Democrat political  
leader and close associate of Clique members.

92. 759-843 - JOHN B. BRANDO, a wine distributor reportedly  
one of the old Clique and frequent visitor at the Roma Bakery  
with FILARDO and [redacted]

93. [redacted] - [redacted] wife of [redacted]

95. M23-333 - JASPER J. MIRABILE, one of the owners of  
the Pompeii and Pizzeria and close Clique associate.

96. [redacted] - [redacted] works for a [redacted]  
concern, frequent visitor of the Pompeii and Pizzeria and Clique  
associate.

98. [redacted] - [redacted] wife of [redacted] Bruno  
Bonding Company. Close associate of Clique members and  
particularly [redacted]

[redacted]

99. [redacted] - [redacted] Kansas City hoodlum.

100. 708-623 - LEONARD MIRABILE, father of JASPER MIRABILE.

104. [redacted] - [redacted] 955th Teamsters Local.

106. Kansas J/O 17454 - Midwest Paving. This concern owned by JOE GUERRERO. GUERRERA

108. [redacted] - [redacted] This car is a 1954 Lincoln rather than 1953 Mercury as described. He is Kansas City top hoodlum.

109. 33-886 - International Association of Cleaners, believed driven by [redacted]

111. [redacted] - [redacted] the Roma Bakery

112. [redacted] - [redacted], a [redacted] uncle of [redacted] and was raised with Clique members.

118. [redacted] - [redacted] establishment which burned at Missouri Avenue between Walnut and Grand, suspected arson case-described as "no good".

119. [redacted] - [redacted] salesman.

121. [redacted] - [redacted], believed to be [redacted] salesmen.

122. [redacted] - [redacted] believed to be [redacted] and [redacted] company owner.

123. [redacted] - [redacted]

126. [redacted] - [redacted] prominent Kansas City hoodlum and Clique associate.

128. [redacted] - [redacted] San Anita Bar, close associate [redacted]

134. X85-526 - Van Auto Leasing Company, determined to be leased to Teamsters Local 541, driven by [redacted]

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135. [redacted] - [redacted] [redacted] Brown  
Derby and Clique member.

136. [redacted] - [redacted] Blue Front  
Market, 12th and Paseo.

137. [redacted] - [redacted] close friend of NICHOLAS  
CIVELLA. CIVELLA frequently uses [redacted] to meet  
friends and acquaintances. [redacted] is [redacted]  
and [redacted] at Italian functions.

139. S95-360 - Van Auto Leasing Company, determined  
leased to Teamsters Local 541, driven by [redacted] (ph).

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/6/60

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI telephonically advised 12/29/59, [REDACTED]

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Auditorium. While there he observed [REDACTED] JAKE MAROON, CARL CIVELLA, ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] NICHOLAS CIVELLA and MAX JABEN. All of those, with the exception of NICHOLAS CIVELLA and MAX JABEN, were taking bets on the basket ball game by standing in the lobby prior to the game and during the half-time intermission. He stated there appeared to be considerable gambling activity and that numerous people were contacting these individuals and placing bets.

On the same date at the Pompeii Room CI observed [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, JOE CARROLLA, [REDACTED] FELIX FERINA, CARL DE LUNA and JOE GURERA. GURERA for a considerable period of time appeared to be in conference with [REDACTED] is now [REDACTED] at the Pompeii Room.

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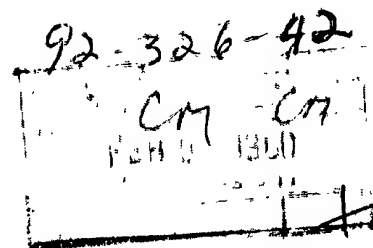
[REDACTED]  
CI telephonically advised Agent at Agent's residence 1-27-60 that JOSEPH FRANK GURERA had during the [REDACTED] trying to locate [REDACTED] CI was not aware of the reason behind this call.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 2/16/60

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI telephonically advised at 9:00 a.m. 2/11/60, that ANTHONY CIVELLA had returned from Las Vegas the afternoon of 2/10/60, but he has not yet determined whether NICHOLAS CIVELLA had also returned. He stated he overheard part of a conversation between [REDACTED] and ANTHONY CIVELLA at the Pizzeria Tavern the [REDACTED] and believes ANTHONY said his uncle (NICHOLAS CIVELLA) would be back in about a week.

ANTHONY CIVELLA frequently mentioned the Desert Inn Hotel and that [REDACTED] who is still there, has been in Las Vegas four or five weeks. In discussing [REDACTED] ANTHONY CIVELLA said a person couldn't miss him as he was the loudest person in the place, and was giving girls in the place money to gamble with. CI gained the impression that among KC hoodlums who were at Las Vegas were [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, his son, ANTHONY CIVELLA, and NICHOLAS CIVELLA. CI expressed the opinion that [REDACTED] blond girl friend, name not recalled, may be with him.

ANTHONY CIVELLA mentioned several names of persons in Las Vegas such as [REDACTED] (PH) at the Sands Hotel, [REDACTED] and one [REDACTED] who was described as a "stooge" or "errand boy" for the boss (believed at Sands Hotel) who runs such errands as picking up important people at the airport. ANTHONY CIVELLA made some reference to an incident involving [REDACTED] being sent by "the boss" to pick up a man who was to be taken to the home of "the boss" and given anything he wanted. If he wanted a steak, [REDACTED] was to cook it for him. ANTHONY CIVELLA indicated that the man [REDACTED] picked up was "TONY G." GIARDANO of St. Louis. CI stated he did not hear the entire conversation and did not know whether GIARDANO was there during CIVELLA's visit or at some previous date.

CI stated he also observed the following at the Pizzeria Tavern the night of [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA [REDACTED]

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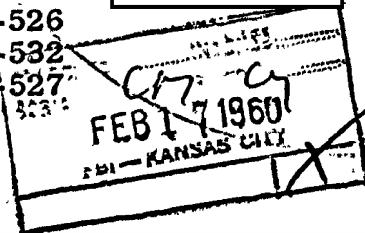
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CI reported the Pompeii Room has been taken over by the new owner.

CI visited Michael's Tavern. None of the known hoodlums were present except [REDACTED] Liquor Control Agent [REDACTED] was observed but JOE GURERA was not seen. b6 b7C

CI reported he observed [REDACTED] and JOE CARROLLA earlier on the evening of 2/11/60, at Lucian's Restaurant.

5:00 p.m. 2/11/60, reported telephonically had just been informed by ANTHONY CIVELLA that NICHOLAS CIVELLA had not returned from Las Vegas. He stated he had also observed FELIX FERINA. CARL DE LUNA, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]s car was observed at the Bruno Bonding Co.

Establishing the whereabouts of as many KC hoodlums as possible assigned CI on 2/10/60, in view of the [REDACTED] Kidnaping Case in Denver.

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CI telephonically advised 10:00 p.m. 2/10/60. he had neglected earlier in the day to report observing [ ] and [ ] at the Sanderson's Cafe about 1:30 p.m. this date. [ ] has been in prison [ ] and appears to have lost considerable weight. In talking to TONY TROMBINO ([ ]), CI learned that [ ] has been back in KC about a month.

CI reported that about 8:00 p.m. LOUIS NIGRO informed [ ] were [ ] while at the Produce Club earlier on this date. CI explained that several years ago EDDIE HARRIS, [ ] was shot by WILLIE CANNISANO (FBI 789449), but recovered, and that according to NIGRO, EDDIE HARRIS, who rarely frequents the Produce Club, "had been coming around every day during past few weeks." NIGRO claimed EDDIE HARRIS has not been to the Produce Club the past few days, he has not been seen by his friend, and the family has not heard from him and are worried. NIGRO told CI he believes "the boys" may have felt EDDIE HARRIS was frequenting the Produce Club to seek an opportunity to get back at CANNISANO and had "done away with EDDIE." NIGRO told CI that [ ] had made the comment, [ ] they might have buried [ ] NIGRO claimed he told [ ] he was sure EDDIE would show up and that he was probably out with some girl. [ ] reportedly did not believe this was the situation.

NIGRO also commented to CI that some eight or ten years ago [ ] and JOSEPH "JOE G." GUERRA had a "run-in" with the [ ]; further, that [ ] had been to the Produce Club a number of times during the period EDDIE HARRIS was there but has not been there since EDDIE was last seen.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 2/26/60

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI during a roving contact 2/23/60, furnished the following:

The presence of JOSEPH FILARDO and [REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

The automobile of FELIX FERINA was parked all night at Little Highway's which indicates he is probably with CARL DE LUNA as they are to appear in court today on a felonious assault charge.

On 2/19/60, at the Green Mill, 14th & Main, [REDACTED] is going in with [REDACTED] operating the [REDACTED] CI stated he [REDACTED] to try to arrange [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] but learned this was already arranged.

On 2/20/60, at the Produce Club CI observed FELIX FERINA, CARL CIVELLA, LOUIS NIGRO, [REDACTED] ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] JAKE MAROON, [REDACTED] and CHARLIE MUELLER as well as several local hucksters of no importance. MUELLER is an old bank robber about age 70. [REDACTED] now has a new 1960 pink Chrysler hardtop, Mo. License [REDACTED].

The night of 2/20/60, at the Capitol Bar CI observed [REDACTED] ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] (former wife of [REDACTED]), [REDACTED] (former wife of [REDACTED]), [REDACTED] MIKE ERGOVITCH and VINCE ORLANDO who helps out at the 3rd St. game. ANTHONY CIVELLA made comment that on night of 2/19/60, in front of [REDACTED] had a fight with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] threatened to kill [REDACTED] and they fought until both were down on the sidewalk. [REDACTED] got in his car and drove over the sidewalk trying to run over [REDACTED] got away but [REDACTED] was arrested as he was trying to leave in a cab. ANTHONY CIVELLA made the remark, "They are going to find [REDACTED] in the river. CIVELLA has never liked [REDACTED]"

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At the Pizzeria later the same group from the Capitol Bar was present as well as CARL CIVELLA. [redacted] JOE GURERA, [redacted] JASPER MIRABILE, JOE CARROLLA, [redacted]

On 2/21/60, at 8:00 p.m., [redacted] and wife, a young boy and older man were observed by CI as they left Lucian's Restaurant. [redacted] were getting into their car in front of [redacted]

[redacted] CI stated this is the typical comment used by [redacted] to all his friends.

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CI stated LOUIS NIGRO informed him the 9th St. game has moved from the first building west of the Toy Shop to the 4th Floor of the first building on the west side of the alley farther west in the block from the toy shop. The game is frequented by Jewish gamblers in this area and is still [redacted] Similar information was mentioned by [redacted] (employee). CI stated care should be exercised in checking the building as [redacted] occupies the third or fifth floor of the same building. The building is old and the elevator is believed to be the self-service type.

Some good games are running at the "Jew Joint". Troost & 12th. The operator's name may be [redacted] and [redacted] reportedly owns part of the game.

CI advised in connection with his 2/22/60 report of the [redacted] the witness who appeared for [redacted] is known as [redacted] a "bar fly" from the [redacted] who will do anything for [redacted] Since the Brown Derby closed he frequents the Capitol Bar or San Anita.

A game was in progress all day at [redacted] on 2/22/60. Among those present were ANTHONY CIVELLA, [redacted] [redacted] VINCE ORLANDO, [redacted] and [redacted]

Gambling has been resumed at [redacted] It is reported that NIGRO now has the "OK".

CI in discussing the telephone facilities in the various places mentioned furnished the following:

[redacted] no phone  
[redacted] - booth phone 7'-8' from entrance  
on right side

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Produce Club - 4' in front and to right of entrance. Booth phone. When crowd present private conversations are held in front area near the phone or near rear window on balcony in rear.

[REDACTED] - Pay booth on right side directly inside entrance. Wall phone. No activity in area of phone.

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At 2:30 p.m. CI telephonically advised he had just come from the Produce Club when two men reportedly from Chicago were observed talking to CARL CIVELLA. One referred to as [REDACTED] was about age 40, 5'7", 200 lbs., short, heavy build, prominent, blunt, fat nose, dark hat, slacks and sport jacket. The second was of similar age and height, wearing a suit, grey hat, shirt with unusually long point of collar points. Very well dressed.

While at the Produce Club CARL DE LUNA informed CI he and some of the others charged with felonious assault had just pleaded guilty to the reduced charge of common assault and had each been fined \$25.00 and costs.

SAC [redacted]

3/3/60

SA [redacted]

[redacted]  
PCI

PCI was telephonically contacted on 2/26/60 and 2/27/60, and an appointment made for PCI to be interviewed at the KC office on 2/28/60. On interview 2/28/60, she advised she and [redacted]

[redacted] sure of his connection, if any, with the Italian underworld organization in KC.

[redacted] EDDIE, about three years ago was shot for this shooting [redacted] that [redacted] is a member of the underworld organization and this organization instructed [redacted] to [redacted] knew of no trouble between EDDIE and [redacted] at the time and [redacted]

[redacted] EDDIE was driving along the street in the North End and observed [redacted] walking. [redacted] called to EDDIE and when he stopped [redacted] claimed he had loaned his car to someone and asked EDDIE to drive him around to try to locate his car. They drove around for a short while and [redacted] instructed EDDIE to drive to the rear of a building, which he did. They stopped behind the building at 9th & Charlotte and [redacted] asked EDDIE to back up a little so he could see behind an adjoining building. As EDDIE started to back up, [redacted] shot him in the face and then jumped from the car and ran as EDDIE [redacted]

[redacted] About a year ago EDDIE [redacted]

[redacted] shot him. PCI stated [redacted]

[redacted] stated that shortly after [redacted] was shot she heard the report that other Italians intended to finish the job not done by [redacted]

[redacted] at [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted] recognized [redacted] and JOE GURERA. She said she also heard at one time that FELIX PERINA made the comment that he was going to finish the job. She said she had [redacted]

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PCI explained that she understands that [redacted] had been going to the Produce Club for a few weeks before he disappeared. Some girl, whose name and address are unknown to PCI, has been

[redacted]  
[redacted] he went to her home with another man to get some money. PCI was evasive as to the source of her information but stated EDDIE's [redacted] EDDIE and the other man as they came to her door. EDDIE reportedly was overheard to say that his [redacted]

[redacted] When EDDIE knocked she refused to answer the door, claiming she was sick.

[redacted] heard of EDDIE. PCI stated

[redacted] last saw EDDIE Sunday night, 2/7/60, when he [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] that night except some local boys claimed to have seen him on Independence Ave, on 2/8/60.

PCI stated she does not know what [redacted] thinks has happened to EDDIE but [redacted] think he was

[redacted]  
[redacted] contact agent to see if he might furnish some data about EDDIE's disappearance as well as the activities of Italian hoodlums with whom EDDIE, [redacted] and [redacted] may have been associated.

PCI called on 2/22/60, advising that [redacted] EDDIE money. She is employed but will not be working on 3/1/60.

PCI on 3/1/60 advised the criminal organization here reportedly [redacted] to do jobs for this organization. She named them as VILLIE CAMMISANO, [redacted] and VELIX FERINA. Also that VILLIE reportedly [redacted]

PCI furnished the following addresses of [redacted]  
[redacted]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

A separate D2 file is being opened on [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in view of his activities in the past and as considerable information will undoubtedly be received regarding him. A stop will be placed in Ident. records on him as well.

[REDACTED] age 35, works for the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] She becomes very evasive when personal background data is sought, therefore such info will be not obtained in full until a later date. Further efforts are being made to develop her as a CI.



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 3/15/60

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI 3/5/60, via phone advised on 3/4/60, a game was in progress all day at [REDACTED]. Among those present were FELIX FERINA and ANTHONY CIVELLA. CI overheard CIVELLA suggest a phone be put in. [REDACTED] asked, "Are you sure you want a phone here?" and CIVELLA said, "Sure." CI believes ANTHONY CIVELLA owns part of this game or such men as FERINA (formerly not permitted to play here) would not be playing here as it cuts in on the Produce Club game.

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At the Capital Bar: ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

No activity at Michael's Tavern..

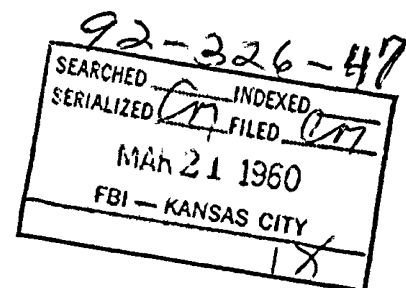
At the Pompeii Room: [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA with [REDACTED] ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

At the Pizzeria same as Pompeii Room, plus [REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA, [REDACTED] JASPER MIRABILE, [REDACTED] ANTHONY CIVELLA with [REDACTED] (working here) and [REDACTED]

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TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY [ ] DATE: 4/25/60

FROM : SA [ ]

SUBJECT: [ ]

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CI via phone, 4/16/60, advised the following were observed at places indicated:

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4/14/60 - [ ] noted at Playboy Lounge. [ ] were not present.

4/14/60 - at Capitol Bar were CARL DE LUNA, [ ]  
[ ] MIKE ERGOVITCH, [ ]  
[ ]

4/14/60 - at Gaslight only [ ]  
[ ]

4/14/60 - There was little activity at the Michaels Tavern. [ ]  
a pizza place now located next door to Michaels.

4/14/60 - CHEZ JOY. No activity. [ ]  
[ ] CARL DELUNA, and one [ ]  
[ ] works here.

4/14/60 - Pizzeria Restaurant were ANTHONY CIVELLA, [ ]  
[ ] JASPER MIRABILE, [ ]  
[ ] CARL CIVELLA. [ ] CARL DE LUNA, [ ]  
[ ] with girl friend. [ ]  
[ ] NICHOLAS CIVELLA, [ ]  
[ ] JOSEPH GURERA, BUSTER BALESTRERE, and [ ] with wife [ ] (See previous memo as to NICHOLAS CIVELLA.)

At the time of this call from a pay phone CI was contacted by [ ]  
[ ] CI reported [ ]  
[ ] which were obviously stolen.

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CI reported that [ ] has given his [ ]  
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CI via phone 4-15-60 advised as follows:

CI stated he wished to correct previous information furnished as to the address of [redacted] apartment from the [redacted] in Kansas that according to MR. GURRIA [redacted] she is now living in [redacted] GURRIA lives with [redacted] whom he sends a date and [redacted] who will only then inform such a date. Another girl is believed to be working with her by the name of [redacted] a red-head, age about 22, with [redacted]

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Regarding information furnished at 2:00 A.M. this date, re the return of EUGENIA CIVILLA, CI reports that in addition to [redacted] being with EUGENIA CIVILLA at the Flamingo Restaurant, he observed [redacted] GAIL CIVILLA, ARTHUR CIVILLA, [redacted] JOE GURRIA, [redacted] (Gurria Lounge, [redacted] who was with [redacted] from the Colony at 18th and Troost, a "new" place.

A [redacted] (?), who operated from the Stage Door Bar 125 1/2 was also at the Flamingo. She informed CI that [redacted] gives her a lot of good information from the [redacted] and keeps her busy. CI described her as white, female, 22 years, 5'1", short build, steady but not fat, white bleached hair, and heavy painted eyebrows spread wide apart.

CI, on this date, was assigned to frequent the Flamingo Lounge in an effort to maintain our discussion between [redacted] and other [redacted] who will [redacted] Flamingo on [redacted] in interview 4/20/60 advised he was sure that [redacted]

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TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

DATE: 5-3-60

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
CRIMINAL INFORMANT

CI during a roving contact 5-2-60 furnished the following information from data compiled by him on the dates and at the places indicated as follows:

4-21-60CAPITOL BAR

No activity.

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[REDACTED]

1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 26-30161 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-109 (CONTROL FILE)  
1 - 92-111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)  
1 - 92-113 (JOSEPH FILARDO)  
1 - 92-114 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
1 - 92-116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)  
1 - 92-123 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-124 (FELIX FERINA)  
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1 - 92-262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)  
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JUNGLE CLUB

Present were [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]

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Those present commented that one [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] was due there, allegedly to insist that [REDACTED] and CARL CIVELLA not frequent this establishment. They reportedly had received the information by telephone that [REDACTED] would appear there. He did not appear while CI was present.

CHEZ JOIE

Present were [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] with wife  
[REDACTED] Prosecuting Attorney  
[REDACTED] and wife. CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and JASPER MIRABILE. CI  
verified on this occasion that NICHOLAS CIVELLA  
and ANTHONY CIVELLA actually departed for Chicago.

MUEHLEBACH HOTEL

Present were [REDACTED]

4-22-60 (Afternoon)

PRODUCE CLUB

Detective [REDACTED] who is one of Detective [REDACTED] officers, was observed in a lengthy conversation with CARL CIVELLA.

[REDACTED] were observed  
talking at a service station at Admiral and Holmes.

4-22-60 (Evening)

CAPITOL BAR

Present were [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA.

GAS LIGHT TAVERN

Present were JOE CARROLLA, [redacted]  
[redacted] FELIX FERINA, [redacted] JOE CARROLLA  
was there to meet [redacted] who had called  
requesting a loan of money. [redacted] did not appear  
while CI was there. [redacted] asked JOE CARROLLA  
to "take FELIX off my back." It seemed that FERINA  
was mad at [redacted] for some reason. CI described  
[redacted] as a [redacted]"

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b7C4-23-60 (Afternoon)

FELIX FERINA observed in North End.

[redacted] and wife observed out riding in  
St. John.

4-23-60 (Evening)CAPITOL BAR

Present were [redacted] JOE CARROLLA,  
[redacted] (Liquor  
Control). [redacted] advised CI he had ordered [redacted]  
[redacted] to stay out of the Playboy.

GAS LIGHT TAVERN

Present were [redacted]  
JOE CARROLLA.

CHEZ JOIE

Present were [redacted] and wife, [redacted]  
[redacted] and  
[redacted] talked for a considerable time outside  
the tavern. CI learned that [redacted] was to make  
a trip to Paris, France, with a representative of  
Radio Station KCMO and of the Kansas City Star,  
who with others were trying to encourage the airline  
Air FRANCE to place Kansas City and other cities on  
their schedule. They were to fly on a plane of  
Air FRANCE and the trip was free.

4-25-60CAPITOL BAR

Present were [redacted]  
[redacted]

[REDACTED]

GAS LIGHT TAVERN

Present were [REDACTED]

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JUNGLE CLUB

Present were CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED] CI he is with  
Traffic Division, Chicago Police Department),  
ANTHONY CIVELLA with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA, [REDACTED]  
(a model).

CHEZ JOIE

Present were ANTHONY CIVELLA with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

The same crowd as at the Chez Joie and Jungle Club  
were later at the Pizzeria.

4-26-60 (Early Evening)

5TH STREET DRUG

NICHOLAS CIVELLA called ANTHONY CIVELLA and asked  
[REDACTED].

ANTHONY CIVELLA called [REDACTED] and relayed the  
message after saying, "Unk is back and, etc..."  
CI believed NICHOLAS CIVELLA must be staying in an  
apartment.

[REDACTED] was observed by CI during the afternoon.

GAS LIGHT TAVERN

Present were [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

CHEZ JOIE

Present were ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Present were [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

4-27-60

GAS LIGHT TAVERN

Present were [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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CHEZ JOIE

Present were [REDACTED] ANTHONY CIVELLA with  
[REDACTED]

MAJESTIC CAFE

JOHN MANGIARACINA had an anniversary party attended by CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED] and their wives as well as number of MANGIARACINA'S family.

CI learned that FELIX FERNIA and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FERINA has [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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4-28-60 (Early Evening)

SANDERSONS

[REDACTED] observed driving Chevrolet pickup with Missouri license truck number [REDACTED].

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CI verified that [REDACTED] had actually gone to Paris as planned.

CAPITOL BAR

Present were [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED] and MIKE ERGOVITCH.

CHEZ JOIE

Present were [REDACTED]  
and [REDACTED].



[REDACTED]

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PIZZERIA

Present were ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA,  
[REDACTED] JASPER MIRABILE and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Cast-a-way).

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STAGE DOOR

Present were [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and one [REDACTED]

GILLIS DRUG

[REDACTED] informed CI of his [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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4-30-60

CI attended a Wake for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] at the Sebetto's Funeral Home, which was  
attended by every Italian of any prominence except  
[REDACTED] JOE GURERA and CARL DE LUNA. This  
included [REDACTED] FILARDO and others of equal  
importance.

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PLAYBOY

Present were [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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CI again attended the PALMENTERE wake which was attended by most of those who had been there on 4-30-60. CI learned at this time that FELIX FERINA was back. On this occasion many of the

[REDACTED]

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CARL CIVELLA talked a lot about his trip to [REDACTED] FRANK SINATRA and others. Nothing of great importance.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Kansas City [redacted]  
FROM : SA [redacted]  
SUBJECT: [redacted]

Date: 5/7/60

CI via phone 5/4/60 reported the following  
were observed at places indicated on 5/3/60:

Nuccos Pool Hall

FELIX FERINA [redacted]

[redacted]  
CHARLES MUELLER  
[redacted]

Capitol Bar

[redacted]

Gaslight

[redacted]

Ches Joie

ANTHONY CIVELLA with [redacted]  
[redacted]

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - 92-109 (Control file)
- 1 - 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)
- 1 - 92-116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)
- 1 - 92-124 (FELIX FERINA)
- 1 - 92-262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)
- 1 - 92-270 (JAKE MAROON)
- 1 - 92-326 (JOE GURERA)
- 1 - 92-335 (CHARLES BENGIMINA)
- 1 - 92-520 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-523 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-535 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-546 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-564 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-578 [redacted]

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[REDACTED]

Castaway

CHARLES BENGIMINA

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[REDACTED] Pizzeria

(Next to Michaels tavern)

[REDACTED]  
JOE GURERA

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CI advised that on the night of 4/30/60 while at the Wake for the [REDACTED], he recalls that CARL CIVELLA did considerable talking about [REDACTED] CI did not hear all of his conversation, but did hear him mention the name of FRANK SANATRA. CIVELLA also made the statement that [REDACTED]

It is to be noted in Salt Lake City letter to the Director, 4/18/60, entitled "CRIMINAL ELEMENT IN BUSINESS FIELD, HOTEL AND CASINO INDUSTRY, SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION, INFORMATION CONCERNING", that in April the State of Nevada Gaming Control Board (former SAC RAY J. ABBATICCHIO, JR., Chairman) sent a letter to each gaming license holder in the State of Nevada. This letter called attention to various sections of the state law and pointed out that "The notoriety resulting from known hoodlums visiting Nevada gaming establishments tends to discredit not only the gaming industry but our entire state as well." A booklet containing the descriptions and photographs of all individuals who come within the provisions of sub section 3 (e) of the law was also furnished. The names of CARL and NICHOLAS CIVELLA were included in this list. The establishments were requested to cooperate in preventing the presence in any licensed establishment of all "persons of notorious or unsavory reputation," including the individuals names as well as any whose names may be added.

SAC [redacted]

5/16/60

SA [redacted]  
[redacted]

CI telephonically advised on 5/13/60 that he had made visits to the Colony Grill on Troost and the Jewel Box, as per assignment.

At the Colony Grill, he observed [redacted] bartenders [redacted] at Michael's Tavern, which is operated by JOE GUERRA. [redacted] Detective [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, Vice Squad, was working with a State Liquor man by the name of [redacted] [redacted] was under the influence of liquor. [redacted] was also present.

At the Jewel Box, CI observed [redacted] and one [redacted] who was believed to be one of those involved in the [redacted] was working as an employee. [redacted] and [redacted] of the Vice Squad were present and [redacted] their auto parked in front of the Jewel Box. [redacted] who is a close associate of "The Clique," and a [redacted] were present. [redacted] commented [redacted] CI stated that [redacted] refers to CARL CIVELLA. CI advised [redacted] did not want to be involved in a raid of this establishment.

It is to be noted female impersonators are the entertainers at the Colony Grill and the Jewel Box and they are frequented by homosexuals.

[redacted] reportedly stated he did not want [redacted]  
[redacted]

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CI stated earlier when [redacted] was in the Jewel Box

[redacted]

In discussing JOE GUERRERA, CI stated it appeared GUERRERA may be again becoming the "muscle man" for "The Clique" and that he is extremely mean. He further explained that JOE GUERRERA and [redacted] are very close friends.

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CI explained that [redacted] had formerly operated as a [redacted] but can no longer do so because of some action taken against him by state authorities. [redacted] has commented that he and CARL CIVELLA are [redacted]. A similar comment was made recently by CARL CIVELLA that he did not want to [redacted] for fear someone else would buy it ahead of him.

It is to be noted that [redacted] is a brother of [redacted] [redacted] St. Louis top hoodlum who is extremely close to CARL CIVELLA, NICK CIVELLA and [redacted].

CI was assigned to continue spot checking the Colony Grill and Jewel Box for any information.

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[redacted] furnished the following information  
at 3:09 p.m. by telephone:

[redacted] explained that he still had hopes that [redacted]  
[redacted] could take care of [redacted]  
through NICK CIVELLA. [redacted] and [redacted] were meeting  
with some representatives of the underworld clique, [redacted]  
[redacted] On the  
afternoon of [redacted] he had an appointment to discuss this  
situation with [redacted] and had hopes that  
the [redacted] would be discontinued.

Interview with [redacted] KC File # 92-326-53  
on 5/17/60 at Kansas City, Missouri Date dictated 5/19/60  
by Special Agent [redacted] *MSjc*

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[redacted]  
[redacted] furnished  
the following information:

On the evening of May 11, 1960, [redacted]  
[redacted] at [redacted] had been contacted personally by  
JOSEPH "JOE G." GURERA, at which time GURERA told [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] on the evening of May 11, 1960, had told  
[redacted] that at about 10:30 p.m. on the evening of May 11, 1960,

[redacted]

Interview with [redacted] KC File # 92-326 -56  
on 5/12/60 at Kansas City, Missouri Date dictated 5/19/60  
by Special Agent S- [redacted] jf jc



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[REDACTED]

On the afternoon of May 12, 1960, [REDACTED] accompanied by [REDACTED] contacted a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] explained that he understood that GURERA had been unsuccessful in the operation of the Midwest Pre-Cote Company, probably might have an interest in Michael's Tavern at 9th and Woodland, Kansas City, Missouri, and may still have a part or full ownership of a laundromat in Leavenworth, Kansas.

A few weeks ago at Michael's Tavern, a young Italian got involved in a fight and GURERA broke up the fight and ordered the participants out of the tavern. During the fracas, a young Italian boy swung at GURERA but missed him. It infuriated GURERA and he warned the young man when he put him out of the tavern that he was never to come back. An hour or so later, the same night, the same young man came back and as soon as he entered the door, without any warning, GURERA struck him, knocked him to the floor and jumped on him and started to pistol whip him with his gun but was restrained by observers in the tavern. At the time the incident occurred, there were an estimated 100 people in the tavern. [REDACTED] related this incident to explain how mean GURERA acted and [REDACTED] was of the opinion that GURERA would not hesitate to kill either [REDACTED] or [REDACTED], if [REDACTED]

However, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] related that about forty years ago, his father, who is now deceased, had, according to an account subsequently

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given to him by his father, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The leases on [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He does not believe that either of these  
leasees have any connection with the underworld clique.

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[redacted]  
[redacted] furnished the  
following information by telephone:

He explained that about 1:00 p.m. [redacted]  
had received a telephone call at [redacted]  
[redacted]

Interview with [redacted] KC File # 92-326 -57  
on 5/14/60 at Kansas City, Missouri Date dictated 5/19/60  
by Special Agent [redacted] *AK/jc*

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From about 11:40 a.m. until about 12:30 p.m., a surveillance was maintained at 9th and Wyandotte of the S&M Sales Company at 204 West 9th Street by Special Agents DON W. WALTERS, [redacted] Motion picture photographs were taken of persons entering and leaving the S&M Sales Company. At about 11:50 a.m., movies were taken of [redacted] entering the S&M Sales Company. At about noon, additional motion pictures were taken of [redacted] leaving the S&M Sales Company and proceeding south across 9th Street. A moment later, a 1956 orange Cadillac was observed driving east on 9th Street with [redacted] as the passenger.

Interview with \_\_\_\_\_ KC File # 92-326 - 58  
on 5/12/60 at Kansas City, Missouri Date dictated 5/19/60  
by Special Agent S. DON W. WALTERS, [redacted] *chf*

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SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

CI on 5/18/60 telephonically advised that the following persons were observed and information obtained on dates and at places indicated:

JUNGLE CLUB. 5/17/60: [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]

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CAPITOL BAR: [REDACTED]

MICHAELS: JOE GURERA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

39th Street Club: One of girls known to CI reports [REDACTED] in band at this club is a narcotic user.

CI reported seeing FELIX FERINA on nights of 5/17 and 18/60 as he picked up a girl at the Pickwick Hotel. She carried an overnight bag.

[REDACTED] of Chicago was observed in [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] on 5/18/60.

1- [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-109 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-114 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
1-KC 92-124 (FELIX FERINA)  
1-KC 92-271 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-274 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
1-KC 92-325 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-546 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-555 [REDACTED]  
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TO: SAC

Date: 5/19/60

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

\_\_\_\_ CI \_\_\_\_ SI

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

xxx PCI \_\_\_\_ PSI

Dates of Contact: 5/11/60

Titles and File #s on which contacted:

JOSEPH GURERA, aka "Joe G" Gurera92-326

Purpose and results of contact:

Negative

xxx Positive

See attached FD-302

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Security informant certified that he had furnished  
all information obtained by him since last contact

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Personal Data

Rating

Good

Coverage

Same

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[ ] furnished the following information:

On the evening of May 11, 1960, about 9:00 p.m., JOSEPH "JOE G." GURERA, came to [ ] and told [ ]

[ ] and the [ ] that he, GURERA, was moving in for a third interest in the operation of the [ ] GURERA pointed out to [ ] GURERA, in as a third partner,

[ ] of business by anyone or have competition move in in their immediate vicinity. GURERA told [ ] and [ ] in the near future and wanted to be a partner beginning Monday, May 16, 1960. This source received this information from [ ]

[ ] on the evening of May 11, 1960 at [ ] The source did not witness these statements by GURERA.

The source explained that GURERA had the reputation for being the enforcer for the underworld clique in Kansas City. It was the source's opinion that since gambling had been restricted by local police in Kansas City, Missouri, that the underworld clique's income had been reduced and that GURERA was probably representing the clique to seek additional income. GURERA's source believed GURERA had been unsuccessful in the operation of the Midwest Pre-Cote Asphalt Company, an asphalt paving firm, and probably needed additional money to make the payments on his new home he had purchased in Mission, Kansas, a suburb of Kansas City. JOSEPH GURERA, according to the Kansas City Telephone Directory, resides 9021 Delmar Street, Johnson County, Kansas.

Interview with [ ] KC File # 92-326  
on 5/12/60 at Kansas City, Missouri Date dictated 5/19/60  
by Special Agent [ ] *ANjc*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

DATE: June 1, 1960

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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CI, at 11:30 A.M. 5/22/60, telephonically advised the following persons were observed and information obtained at the places and on dates indicated:

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JUNGLE CLUB. [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED] It was ascertained that [REDACTED] has been made the star of their present show. The [REDACTED] boy who [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA and who was recently involved in the investigation of [REDACTED] was observed in conversation with CARL CIVELLA.

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CAPITOL BAR. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] nephew of [REDACTED]

GASLIGHT. No activity.

PLAYBOY LOUNGE. [REDACTED]  
and MIKE ERGOVITCH.

STAGE DOOR. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

LA STRADA: Same crowd as observed at Stage Door.

CI reported he was contacted by FELIX FERINA on the street and was paid \$100 on [REDACTED]

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92-113 (JOE FILARDO)  
114 [REDACTED]  
115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
123 [REDACTED]  
124 (FELIX FERINA)  
252 [REDACTED]  
253 [REDACTED]  
258 [REDACTED]  
261 [REDACTED]

92-262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)  
265 (LOUIS NIGRO)  
271 [REDACTED]  
326 (JOE GURERA)  
361 [REDACTED]  
364 (JOE CARROLLA)  
470 (JASPER MIRABILE)  
515 [REDACTED]  
522 [REDACTED]  
525 [REDACTED]  
527 [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]  
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PIZZERIA #2. Has been open for two days and is enjoying a good business. In addition to the operators, [REDACTED] were observed here.

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JUNGLE CLUB. The same crowd as observed on 5/19/60 were observed here this date.

CI reported that he observed [REDACTED] and JOE FILARDO at the bakery.

MICHAELS. JOE GURERA.

STAGE DOOR. [REDACTED] and FELIX FERINA.

CAPITOL BAR. [REDACTED]

CHEZ JOIE. ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] and three others of the KCMOPD. An individual by the name of [REDACTED] (Phonetic) was at this bar attempting to make conversation with an Italian in the place and was asking questions about other Italians not present. He was later observed at the Pizzeria #1.

PIZZERIA #1. JASPER MIRABILE, ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] JOE CARROLLA [REDACTED] (of Chicago). [REDACTED] of Chicago is staying at the Pickwick hotel in a [REDACTED] is a close [REDACTED] or some similar name.

PANCAKE PATIO. [REDACTED] who handled part of the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] the girlfriend of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (Phonetic) ([REDACTED]) is selling lawn mowers (power) for half price claiming they are "hot".

[redacted]

5/21/60

[redacted] Pool Hall. The game run by [redacted] was in operation, but afternoon and evening. The usual crowd was present including FELIX FERINA.

5/22/60

CI and LOUIS NIGRO while in conversation in front of [redacted], observed [redacted] and CARL CIVELLA pass by. NIGRO and CI to the game at [redacted]

CI reports that the person mentioned as [redacted] who is reported to be a fence a block south of the [redacted] [redacted] is [redacted] whom CI has previously mentioned as a fence. He lives at [redacted]

[redacted] When he has [redacted] for sale, he keeps them in the basement and enters the basement from the [redacted] street side.

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2nd floor  
3rd floor

DIRECTOR, FBI

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

JOSEPH FRANK GUERERA, aka  
"Joe G.", Joseph Frank Guerera  
AR

[redacted] has  
been contacted as a PCI for several months. On May 12, 1960  
he furnished the following information concerning an attempt  
by subject to receive a one-third share of the partnership  
of [redacted] and a newly opened [redacted]  
at [redacted] operated by [redacted] and [redacted]

On the evening of May 11, 1960 [redacted]  
[redacted] was contacted [redacted]  
[redacted] at which time subject told [redacted]  
he was going to move in for one third of the profits of the  
business. Subject explained to [redacted]

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GURERA made no mention of putting any capital investment in the business and it was obvious to [redacted] that subject was just moving in as a partner in a "protection racket".

Subject contacted [redacted] At about 10:30 p.m. on the same evening, May 11, 1960. [redacted]



This is the headquarters of the football lottery tickets activity of "The Clique" and is known to be an establishment where stolen property is fenced).

The above information was confirmed by [redacted] who furnished information on the morning of May 12, 1960.

About 11:50 a.m., May 12, 1960, Agents observed and took movies of [redacted] entering the S & M Sales Company and leaving it at about noon.

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Subsequently, PCI [redacted] explained that [redacted]  
[redacted] had not been able to locate [redacted] at the [redacted]

CARL CIVELLA was contacted by [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] explained that on the afternoon of May 12,  
1960 [redacted] contacted a man [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] the  
head of the underworld "Clique" in Kansas City was NICK CIVELLA  
and that JOSEPH FILARDO (both Apalachin attendees) was also  
a leader in "the Clique". [redacted] said that although he  
was acquainted with both of these individuals, he was not  
well acquainted with either of them. He had previously been  
[redacted]

On May 16, 1960 [redacted] explained that at subject's  
request, [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] was subsequently contacted on several occasions, the last being on May 31, 1960 and on each occasion, he indicated they had had no further contacts with subject and on May 31, 1960 he concluded that possibly [redacted]



[redacted] explained that subject had a reputation of being the "strong arm man" for the underworld "Clique" and was very mean and considered armed with a gun at all times and to be capable of murder. [redacted]



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It is to be noted that [ ] was assigned to frequent the Colony Club and Jewel Box to obtain any information which came to his attention in connection with the demands of the subject. He reported that on the night of [ ]

[ ] at the Jewel Box who informed him that [ ]

[ ] used by [ ] refers to CARL CIVILLA. Further, that at the request of [ ]

[ ] and other sources have reported that JOE GURERA has been closely associated with "the Clique" for many years and at one time was the "strong arm man" for "the Clique".

[ ] has explained that for the past [ ]

[ ] was interviewed at length on several occasions regarding [ ] the two previous named establishments and he advises that [ ]

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**Kansas City will continue contact with PCI [redacted] and any information developed indicating a possible violation of the Federal Statute will be immediately brought to the attention of the Bureau.**



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TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED] DATE: 6/6/60  
FROM: SA [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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CI on 5/27/60 advised by phone that the following individuals were observed and information obtained at the places and on the dates indicated:

5/25/60 Stage Door

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[REDACTED] FELIX FERINA  
Sergeant [REDACTED]  
Kansas City, Mo. PD

CI advised that FELIX FERINA on this occasion

[REDACTED]

Also present were [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Three or four prostitutes were also present and one departed with FELIX FERINA.

Louie's Pizzeria next door to Michael's Tavern

JOE GURERA

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

1- [REDACTED]  
1-92-109  
1-92-113 (JOE FILARDO)  
1-92-116 (NICK CIVELLA)  
1-92-123 [REDACTED]  
1-92-124 (FELIX FERINA)  
1-92-274 [REDACTED]  
1-92-324 [REDACTED]  
1-92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
1-92-417 [REDACTED]  
1-92-523 [REDACTED]  
1-92-535 [REDACTED]  
1-92-546 [REDACTED]  
1-92-554 [REDACTED]  
1-92-555 [REDACTED]

1-92-564 [REDACTED]  
1-92-566 [REDACTED]  
1- [REDACTED]  
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[redacted]  
Detectives [redacted] also came into this establishment with [redacted] who now claims to be on vacation and is working for [redacted] [redacted] commented that he may not go back to work at the [redacted] Vice Detective [redacted] is also reportedly working at [redacted]

CI reports that many of the Italian hoodlums are playing golf almost every morning at the Statonmeadows Golf Course which has been a favorite spot for them for several years.

CI learned that [redacted] of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department [redacted] Italian extraction who has heart trouble and is in Kansas City from Boston, Mass. Also that he had contacted CARL CIVELLA in an effort to [redacted] As [redacted] had not heard from CARL CIVELLA who had promised to aid [redacted] the later [redacted]  
[redacted]

CI reported that on the night of 5/24/60 he observed NICK CIVELLA [redacted] to be parked at the Midwest Bar, 9th and McGee, talking to [redacted]

On 5/25/60 CI reported he observed [redacted] and NICK CIVELLA in [redacted] black Chevrolet Impala as they passed the Stage Door Tavern. He also reports that he has on several occasions observed NICK CIVELLA's automobile parked at the home of [redacted]  
[redacted]

CI reports that he observed both JOE FILARDO and [redacted] 7/25/60 at the Roma Bakery.

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
furnished the following information by telephone:

Neither [redacted]  
has been contacted by JOSEPH "JOE G" GUERRERA or others  
[redacted]  
[redacted] no further demands will  
be made.

[redacted] has not again discussed the matter with  
[redacted]

Interview with [redacted] File # KC 92-326 - 64  
on 5/31/60 at Kansas City, Missouri Date dictated 6/2/60  
by Special Agent [redacted] 11: bat

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Date 5/31/60

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] advised that  
[redacted] not been contacted on May 18, 1960, by any members  
or representatives of the underworld clique with respect  
to the clique through JOSEPH GURERA [redacted]  
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On 5/19/60 at Kansas City, Missouri File # KC 92-326 - 65  
by SA [redacted] Date dictated 5/25/60

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 6/10/60

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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CI via phone June 7, 1960 advised the following individuals were observed and information obtained at the places and on dates indicated.

In connection with an investigation being conducted by SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS regarding [REDACTED] CI was asked if [REDACTED] is known to him and of [REDACTED] activities with the teamsters and the hoodlum element. CI reported he knows [REDACTED] only as a former business agent with the Teamsters [REDACTED]. He advised [REDACTED] has reportedly been promoted to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is reportedly close to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was also moved up in the Teamsters, as has been previously reported. CI stated he does not know the reason for moving [REDACTED] up other than that he is very close to JOE GURERA who stands in good with the Teamsters. He called attention to previous reports regarding activities of [REDACTED] and other Teamster officials where he has reported that [REDACTED] GURERA and JOHN MANGIARACINA are very close and are frequently seen together at the Majestic Restaurant. CI reports his best information regarding this group comes from [REDACTED] on Independence Avenue and [REDACTED] at Admiral and Virginia Streets. [REDACTED] is the closest friend of [REDACTED]

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1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 157- [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-109 (Control File)  
1 - 92-111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)  
1 - 92-114 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
1 - 92-116 (NICK CIVELLA)  
1 - 92-256 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-262 (CARL CIVELLA)  
1 - 92-263 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-271 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-290 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-293 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-297 [REDACTED]

1 - 92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
1 - 92-340 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-364 (JOE CARROLLA)  
1 - 92-391 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-470 (JASPER MIRABILE)  
1 - 92-515 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-517 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-520 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-525 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-527 [REDACTED]  
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1 - 92-546 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-554 [REDACTED]  
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1 - 92-602 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
CHEZ JOIE

ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

PIZZERIA #1

ANTHONY CIVELLA, [REDACTED] JASPER MIRABILE.

[REDACTED] JOE CARROLLO [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

BRUNO BONDING COMPANY

[REDACTED], observed ANTHONY CIVELLA talking to  
[REDACTED] in front of the Bruno office. Also in front of  
the office but not in this conversation were [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

JUNGLE CLUB

[REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

PRODUCE CLUB

[REDACTED] was the only person of importance  
there during the afternoon game.

CI reported that he has not seen NICK CIVELLA  
for the past few days but has heard no reports that he might  
be out of town.

[REDACTED] reportedly will [REDACTED]  
Carver Drug Store purchased by CARL CIVELLA [REDACTED].

CI reports that a [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

He added that [REDACTED] frequently comments and makes jokes

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

in recent weeks while at this drug store. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

added that [REDACTED]

intimate that he has been told to make this statement when  
someone asks him his age.

SAC [redacted]

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PCI

On 6/21/60 at [redacted]  
PCI advised that he had determined [redacted]  
[redacted] that JOSEPH GURERA, who

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[redacted]  
was of the opinion and hoped that GURERA had been instructed  
by NICK CIVELLA [redacted]

[redacted] PCI suggested the possibility that [redacted]  
contact along with [redacted] with [redacted]  
[redacted] of the KCMO PD, had resulted in  
NICK CIVELLA instructing GURERA to discontinue his demand.

PCI stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] he will immediately notify the Kansas City Office.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

DATE: 6/30/60

FROM : SA DON W. WALTERS

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Roving contact on 5/13/60.

CI advised that 25 subpoenas have been issued by the Jackson County Grand Jury presently in session, which include subpoenas for the following:

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[REDACTED]

CI advised that the above information had been furnished him on 6/10/60 by LOUIS NIGRO. Stated that he

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1 - (92-290) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-124) FELIX FERINA  
1 - (92-254) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-259) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-258) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-326) JOE GURERA  
1 - (92-115) CARL CIVELLA  
1 - (92-116) NICK CIVELLA  
1 - (92-114) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-532) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-273) [REDACTED]

1 - (92-272) JOE LASCUOLA  
1 - (92-246) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-417) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-270) JAKE MAROON  
1 - (92-531) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-111) JOHN MANGIARACINA  
1 - (92-262) TONY CIVELLA  
1 - (92-265) LOUIS NIGRO  
1 - (92-267) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-257) [REDACTED]  
1 - (92-123) [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

does not know the reason for the subpoenas and it was NIGRO'S opinion that the Grand Jury may be questioning these individuals relative to [REDACTED]

On Friday, 6/10/60, CI stated he overheard CARL CIVELLA talking to another individual at the Produce Club and CIVELLA mentioned that someone he knew was in Kansas City from New York. He stated that he had instructed ANTHONY CIVELLA to contact this individual while ANTHONY was in New York, but strangely enough, ANTHONY was now in New York and the individual whom he was to contact was in Kansas City.

CI advised that ANTHONY CIVELLA, JASPER MIRABILE, and [REDACTED] were all in New York City together having left Kansas City on about 6/7 or 8 of 1960. It was CI's opinion that these individuals were probably in New York on business in connection with the opening of CIVELLA'S Pizzeria number 2 in North Kansas City.

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CI related he had observed the following individuals in the following places on the night of 6/9/60:

STAGE DOOR

[REDACTED] and NICHOLAS CIVELLA were together in [REDACTED] 1959 white Oldsmobile station wagon. Stated these individuals picked up three men but he was not in a position to identify the three individuals who got into the car with them. This occurred approximately midnight.

CLUB LA STRADA



CHEZ JOIE



[REDACTED]

PLAY BOY

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and his wife  
[REDACTED]

CI observed the following between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. on 6/9/60 at the Produce Club:

CARL CIVELLA  
LOUIS NIGRO  
JAKE MAROON

[REDACTED]

CI related that the same crowd was at the Produce Club on the afternoon of 6/10/60 with the exception of CARL CIVELLA.

CI related that apparently NICK CIVELLA is very close to [REDACTED] as he has observed the three together almost on every occasion when he has seen them.

CI related that recently FELIX FERINA, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] JAKE MAROON, and [REDACTED] were gambling a great deal at Corbetts located at 12th and Troost. He advised this place appears to be a large store room with a few items of advertising scattered around it and the gambling is conducted in the back room. He stated that [REDACTED] Democratic political leader, has a financial interest in this place. He advised that [REDACTED] has a room in the hotel next to Corbetts where he handles his policy business.

CI advised that [REDACTED] were both driving cars bearing a dealers license from Lee's Summit, Missouri.

CI advised that JOHN MANGIARACINA and JOE GURERA are now making book on a small scale. He advised that he does not know the headquarters for this operation at this time.

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SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
PCI

PCI on 7/5/60 telephonically inquired as to whether or not the information [REDACTED] pertaining to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had been brought to the attention of the Jackson County Federal Grand Jury. He was advised that it was not believed that this matter was brought to the attention of the Federal Grand Jury at least by this office nor was this office aware that [REDACTED] or discussed in the County Grand Jury. It was suggested that in view of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
this was the source of his information that this matter was being discussed before a Grand Jury. He emphasized the fact that if this matter was being brought to the attention of the Grand Jury [REDACTED] He stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] to determine the extent of the information brought to the attention of the Grand Jury.

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TO : SAC [REDACTED] DATE: July 7, 1960  
FROM : SA [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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CI via phone June 28, 1960, reported that the night of June 27, 1960, at the Jungle Club he observed [REDACTED] JOE GURERA, [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]

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At 6:00 p.m., June 28, 1960, CI phoned to advise that he had just talked to LOUIS NIGRO who informed him that it seems [REDACTED] had received subpoenas for the Federal Grand Jury for [REDACTED] NIGRO commented that according to CARL CIVELLA all of the local hoodlums believe that [REDACTED] has "opened up" on all the local hoodlums he has worked with and that [REDACTED] is the result.

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1 - [REDACTED]  
88- [REDACTED]  
92-109 [REDACTED]  
92-114 [REDACTED]  
92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
92-124 (FELIX FERINA)  
92-243 (CARL DE LUNA)  
92-246 [REDACTED]  
92-251 [REDACTED]  
92-254 [REDACTED]  
92-255 [REDACTED]  
92-257 [REDACTED]  
92-262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)  
92-265 (LOUIS NIGRO)  
92-267 [REDACTED]  
92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
92-340 [REDACTED]  
92-364 (JOE CARROLLA)  
92-417 [REDACTED]

1 - 92-470 (JASPER MIRABILE)  
92-515 [REDACTED]  
92-517 [REDACTED]  
92-525 [REDACTED]  
92-527 [REDACTED]  
92-532 [REDACTED]  
92-600 [REDACTED]  
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On June 30, 1961, CI advised by phone that he was at the Stage Door tavern the night of June 29, 1960, and observed JOE CARROLLA with [redacted] indicated that he had [redacted]

[redacted] JOE CARROLLA indicated that this is typical of [redacted] and that his answering any questions might result in trouble.

CI advised that [redacted] and FELIX FERINA were at the Produce Club the afternoon of June 29, 1960. He again commented that it is possible [redacted] could have been with FERINA in the shooting of [redacted]

At the Jungle Club the night of June 29, 1960, CI observed [redacted]

[redacted] (brother of [redacted] and JOE CARROLLA, CI advised that it was reported that [redacted] had not appeared on [redacted] before the Federal Grand Jury but was told to report back later. He added that there has been little comment regarding the publicity resulting from comments of the Prosecuting Attorney in Clay County regarding the [redacted] case.

At the Chez Joie on June 29, 1960, CI observed [redacted] and others of lesser importance.

At the Pizzeria #1 the night of June 29, 1960, CI observed ANTHONY CIVELLA, JASPER MIRABILE, [redacted] and JOE CARROLLA. There were again comments that it was believed that [redacted] had informed on members of the local element.

At the Produce Club on June 29, 1960, were [redacted] and LOUIS NIGRO. [redacted] made the comment about the report that [redacted] was believed to have informed on them, that if it was anyplace but Kansas City, "they would go to the hospital and kill him". NIGRO commented that according to reports [redacted] could have taken a three-year sentence in Omaha but instead broke down and testified before the grand jury. [redacted] also commented that there are a lot of local boys who have gone on jobs with [redacted] and he has probably identified them.

CI reports that CARL DE LUNA has been driving [redacted] 1955 dark grey and white Oldsmobile, four-door sedan and [redacted] is driving DE LUNA's dark blue 1955 Pontiac, four-door sedan. CI does not know the reason for this switch.

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TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

DATE: 7/18/60

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI

CI on 7/12/60, furnished the following information regarding various individuals who are in one way or another closely associated with the hoodlum element in Kansas City, on whom 92 files should be opened in order that background and descriptive data can be compiled:

[REDACTED] Jungle Club operated by CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]. He resides in a downtown hotel, name unknown, and can usually be seen with [REDACTED] after closing hours at the Jungle Club. He owns no automobile and is described as a white male, age [REDACTED] 5' 9", 180 lbs., dark wavy hair, crooked upper teeth, and long head and face.

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114 [REDACTED]  
115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)  
243 (CARL DE LUNA)  
262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)  
265 (LOUIS NIGRO)  
270 (JAKE MAROON)  
293 [REDACTED]  
326 (JOE GURERA)

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[redacted]  
[redacted] Michael's Bar, which is  
believed to be actually owned by JOE GURERA. He also [redacted]  
[redacted] to Michael's. He lives at about [redacted]

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red, white and red four-door hardtop. He is described as  
white male, age [redacted] 5' 11", 220 pounds. He has a bad [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted]  
Lives on [redacted] and owns an apartment next to the  
building owned by [redacted] between [redacted]  
[redacted] Charles Auto Sales, 27th and Cherry. He  
[redacted]  
Missouri Police Department. He is an old time hustler and  
a good friend of NICHOLAS CIVELLA.

[redacted]  
and is the [redacted] obtained by the  
hoodlum element. He is a close personal friend of CARL and  
ANTHONY CIVELLA, who "steer" [redacted] customers to him. He  
[redacted] almost yearly to ANTHONY CIVELLA, who pays only  
the [redacted]. The 1960 automobile now being  
[redacted]

[redacted]  
Resides in [redacted] and is connected with  
the [redacted]. He  
drives a Buick automobile, but is usually seen driving one of  
the company trucks. He is about [redacted] years of age, has one  
[redacted] and is a frequent gambler at the Produce Club  
where he associates with the Italian hoodlum element.

[redacted] Resides [redacted] Drives  
a 1960 Chevrolet Impala red convertible. He is a close  
associate of [redacted] to whom he has loaned considerable  
money. He is a frequent gambler at the Produce Club on  
[redacted]. He is not believed to have  
a record.

[redacted]  
A [redacted]. Formerly worked for the [redacted]  
operated by [redacted]. He is a close personal  
friend of CARL CIVELLA, and recently became [redacted] of the  
[redacted] with CIVELLA. He is approximately  
[redacted] years of age, white male, very dark complexion, wears  
glasses and has an [redacted]. He recently



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purchased a new Pontiac or Oldsmobile. His sister is reportedly the girl friend of a St. Louis top hoodlum.

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[redacted]  
Lives in Kansas in the [redacted]  
[redacted] Knuckles Pool Hall for [redacted]  
[redacted] at Missouri and Gillis (1025 East Missouri or 525 Gillis). He is a brother of [redacted] but he has not spoken to his brother for many years. The reason is not known for the friction between them. He drives a 1956 Chevrolet, two tone green, with Kansas license.

[redacted]  
Resides in [redacted] was formerly [redacted]  
for JOHN MOLLE, [redacted] While he is not currently active in criminal activities, he gambles frequently, can be seen with members of the hoodlum element, and does not work. He is believed to be kept at the present time by the [redacted] a prostitute. He is not related to the other [redacted] who are closely associated with the hoodlum element. He drives a 1960 white Chevrolet Impala, two-door hardtop.

[redacted], and lives in [redacted] He is described as the most abusive and obnoxious person known to CI. He is an alcoholic and does not know the value of money. He is extremely nervous.

[redacted]  
Cadillac convertible with white top. When he has money he hangs out around the New Yorker Hotel at 12th and Baltimore, and is well acquainted with CARL CIVELLA, who loans him money while gambling at the Produce Club frequently. The money is loaned on a [redacted] He pays a high rate of interest to CIVELLA. The [redacted]

[redacted]  
He is extremely talkative, and CI advised he would be a good man to subpoena before a grand jury. He is described as a white male, age [redacted] blond hair, short build, 5' 6", 160 pounds.

[redacted]  
Resides in [redacted] and is a brother of [redacted] who resides at [redacted] He has no children, is a brother-in-law of [redacted] and works at the [redacted] which is owned by [redacted] but in [redacted] name.

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[redacted]  
[redacted] four-door sedan (file 92-272 should be reviewed in order to clarify confusion between [redacted]).

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[redacted]  
[redacted] four-door sedan. Gambles occasionally, and is one of JAKE MAROON's parlay cards customers at the S & M Sales. He is a good friend of LOUIS NIGRO and [redacted] on which to build or establish a new restaurant to be operated by NIGRO.

[redacted]  
[redacted] and a [redacted]  
on [redacted] with [redacted]  
over the phone at the [redacted]  
He has served time in the county jail for theft or possession of [redacted] and is now believed to be involved in [redacted]  
Oldsmobile, four-door hardtop, with a badly battered license plate.

[redacted]  
Lives in [redacted] Is a [redacted]  
[redacted] for [redacted]  
[redacted] He is frequently seen with [redacted] and [redacted] and is closely associated with CARL DE LUNA and ANTHONY CIVELLA. He is married to the sister of [redacted]  
[redacted] ANTHONY CIVELLA, the sister of [redacted] and the [redacted] CARL DE LUNA are very close friends.

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] His wife [redacted]  
at the Jungle Club. He was recently convicted in connection with the death resulting from [redacted] and the case is now on appeal. He constantly [redacted] wears glasses, and is an extremely sloppy dresser. He is believed to drive a 1959 brown Plymouth four-door hardtop. He is a constant visitor at the Jungle Club and frequently accompanies [redacted] the Jungle Club closes.

It is requested that 92 files be opened on the individuals named herein, for whom file copies have been designated where no file number is shown.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE August 4, 1960

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT [REDACTED]

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In connection with a previous inquiry from the Int. Bureau of Internal Revenue today regarding the location of places where baseball bets are being taken and the identity of those involved, [REDACTED] this date advised the following are believed to be the important ones in the order listed:

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Toy Shop, 305 West 9th Street  
S & M Sales, West 9th Street  
Gillis Drug, (operated by [REDACTED]  
brother of [REDACTED]  
Dukes Plaza Drug, 3324 East 31st Street,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] unknown room or apartment, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
5th and Grand (Democratic Club) [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
JOHN MANGIARACINA & JOE GURERA (unknown location)  
[REDACTED] are operating on a  
small scale.

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The above information as well as data regarding the present location of [REDACTED] room where he is believed to operate and cars driven by the [REDACTED] as reflected on page 3 of 92-531-14 was furnished Agents [REDACTED] of the Int. Bureau of IRS at 4:16 this date.

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1 - [REDACTED]  
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92-111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)  
92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
92-256 [REDACTED]  
92-270 (JAKE MAROON)  
92-272 (JOE LASCUOLA)  
92-273 [REDACTED]  
92-281 [REDACTED]

92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
92-531 [REDACTED]  
92-532 [REDACTED]  
92-535 [REDACTED]  
66-3401 [REDACTED]

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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 9/13/60

FROM : SA DON W. WALTERS

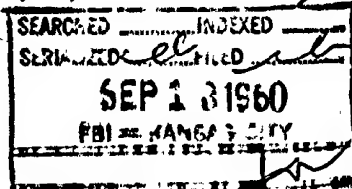
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

At 7:25 p.m. on 9/7/60 CI advised that on the night of 9/6/60 he had been at the following places and observed the following individuals:

1- [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-109  
1-KC 92-253 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-293 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-326 (GURERA)  
1-KC 92-115 (C. CIVELLA)  
1-KC 92-114 [REDACTED]  
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1-KC 92-257 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-262 (A. CIVELLA)  
1-KC 92-265 (LOUIS NIGRO)  
1-KC 92-256 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-618 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-291 (MIKE HARRIS)  
1-KC 92-124 (FERINA)  
1-KC 92-521 [REDACTED]

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1-KC 92-318 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-558 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-559 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-555 [REDACTED]  
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1-KC 92-290 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-243 (DeLUNA)  
1-KC 92-364 (CARROLLA)  
1-KC 92-520 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-517 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-316 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-564 [REDACTED]  
1-KC 92-116 (NICK CIVELLA)  
1-KC 92-419 [REDACTED]



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MICHAELS

[REDACTED]

JOE GURERA

[REDACTED]

JUNGLE CLUB

CARL CIVELL and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

STAGE DOOR

CAPITOL LOUNGE

CARL DE LUNA  
JOE CARROLLA

CHEZ JOIE

PANCAKE PATIO

[REDACTED]

NICK CIVELLA

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and wife

[REDACTED]

CARL DE LUNE and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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CI advised that [REDACTED] place was operating on 9/6/60 and the following were observed there:

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[REDACTED]

JOE MANGIARACINA

[REDACTED]

The following were observed on 9/6/60 gambling at [REDACTED] place:

FELIX FERINA  
MIKE HARRIS

[REDACTED]

CHARLES MUELLER

The following were observed at the Produce Club on the afternoon of 9/7/60:

FELIX FERINA  
CARL DE LUNA

[REDACTED]

LOUIS NIGRO

[REDACTED]

TONY CIVELLA  
CHARLES MUELLER

[REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, [REDACTED]

Date: 9/15/60

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FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

At 2:00 p.m., 9/9/60. CI via telephone from his residence advised he had [REDACTED] a few days before from one [REDACTED] who hangs out at [REDACTED] and the residences of his acquaintances. [REDACTED] and shortly after [REDACTED] returned asking that the [REDACTED] as he had [REDACTED] CI believed that [REDACTED] had found someone who would [REDACTED] for it so he [REDACTED] On the morning of 9/9/60 after being told [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
During this conversation CI excused himself when [REDACTED] during his absence from the telephone a disturbance was heard in the background. CI returned to the telephone after a few minutes and stated that after he had [REDACTED]

CI reported that the following night spots were visited and persons were observed the night of 9/8/60:

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
92-109  
92-114  
92-243 (CARL DELUNA)  
92-246  
92-252  
92-257  
92-271  
92-293  
92-316  
92-326 (JOE GURERA)

92-515  
92-532  
92-553

92-564  
92-578  
92-600  
92-601

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Michaels Tavern JOE GURERA, [redacted]  
[redacted] CI stated [redacted] is  
one of those indicted recently in [redacted]. He  
drives a 1959 red and white Oldsmobile four door hardtop.  
(He is not the [redacted] who is the son-in-law of [redacted]  
[redacted] works for [redacted] and is the son-  
in-law of [redacted]  
[redacted] is the [redacted] 9th and  
Prospect. [redacted] is the cousin of [redacted]  
and works at the [redacted] owned by [redacted]  
on Independence Avenue.

CI reported that he learned that [redacted] has  
sold his [redacted] to Carl's  
Muffler Shop on McGee Street. [redacted] works  
at this shop. It was sold for \$5,300.

At approximately 11:30 p.m. the automobiles of [redacted]  
[redacted] were observed at the  
Jungle Club.

Stage Door [redacted]

Pizzeria #1. [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted] paid their checks.  
During the conversation [redacted] made the comment that he  
[redacted]  
line. This comment was made after [redacted] stated that there  
had been a lot of noise on his line lately and he felt that  
his line might be tapped.

Chez Joie [redacted] who was drinking heavily was observed  
with [redacted] at approximately 1:15 a.m., 9/9/60.

Pancake Patio [redacted] and wife. [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted] came in with  
two girls as CI left.

Inquiry was made of CI regarding any information he  
may have heard about [redacted] He stated he had not  
observed [redacted] for about a week and had heard nothing  
about him. He stated that CARL DELUNA is occasionally seen  
with [redacted] they drink together and DELUNA appears  
to like [redacted] [redacted] is also very friendly with  
[redacted]



## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## M E M O R A N D U M

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED] DATE: 9/21/60

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI on 9/16/60 advised by phone that the Faultless Laundry, 19th and Broadway, was the scene of an explosion on 9/15/60, according to a news article reflecting that this resulted in damage to a \$125.00 generator. He stated he had heard no comments regarding the reason for this explosion and does not know if there are labor difficulties there. He believes this place would be under the jurisdiction of the Cleaners and Dyers Union which is headed by [REDACTED]

CI at 1:00 PM, 9/17/60 reported via phone that he was at the Jungle Club from 10:16 to 11:20 PM, 9/16/60, during which time [REDACTED] of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, Vice Bureau, was present. His automobile, believed to be a 1960 grey Ford with Missouri license [REDACTED], was observed parked on Oak Street, south of 10th Street, between the corner and the driveway into the parking lot. [REDACTED] spent the entire time while CI was present, seated at the end of the bar next to the front windows. During the earlier part of this period he was observed talking to [REDACTED]. Their conversation could not be overheard except they were heard to mention the Muehlebach Hotel and the Playboy Lounge. CARL CIVELLA came in during the later part of this period and thereafter [REDACTED] and CIVELLA were engaged in conversation. CI reports that he recalls seeing the above described automobile

1- [REDACTED]	1- 92-531	[REDACTED]
1-992-109	1- 92-532	[REDACTED]
1- 92-114 [REDACTED]	1- 92-535	[REDACTED]
1- 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)	1- 92-553	[REDACTED]
1- 92-267 [REDACTED]	1- 92-555	[REDACTED]
1- 92-270 (JAKE MAROON)	1- 92-566	[REDACTED]
1- 92-271 [REDACTED]	1- 92-611	[REDACTED]
1- 92-274 [REDACTED]	1- 92-618	[REDACTED]
1- 92-291 (MIKE HARRIS)	1- 92-619 (VINCE ORLANDO)	[REDACTED]
1- 92-326 (JOE GURERA)	1- 92-624 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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1- [REDACTED]

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[redacted]  
in the parking lot next to the Jungle Club on a number of occasions before but was not aware that it belonged to [redacted]

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Others present at the Jungle Club were [redacted]  
[redacted]

CI stated he overheard [redacted] and [redacted] discussing the pickup of "stops" for their football lottery tickets and observed them comparing each others lists. They were deciding which one would pick up the tickets at these stops. They made no attempt to conceal their lists or prevent CI from listening to their discussion. CI overheard them mention the following stops and comments regarding the following:

The Ship  
Jungle Club  
Plaza Hotel  
[redacted] (5th & Grand. Democratic Club)  
[redacted] Restaurant  
[redacted] (Across from [redacted] Restaurant in the market. Has a stall)  
[redacted] (Believed to have a "joint" on the west side, possibly Summit)  
[redacted] (Phonetic) (Ford Plant. Claycomo.  
Lives about [redacted]  
Spends considerable time at S & M Sales and drives 1955 green and white Mercury.)

S & M Sales  
Gillis Drug

[redacted] (12th Street Recreation in basement, 12th and Grand)

B & C (This may refer to [redacted] who are known to be handling tickets. One of their customers is the [redacted] at 12th and Walnut.)

[redacted] was heard to mention that someone was to have some cards for him today at 5th and Troost. He also mentioned that [redacted] is working with them. Also that he had asked [redacted] if he and [redacted] could have the cards this year and that he would have to find out about this. He commented that by the time they paid the printer, their help and the "coppers" there was not too much left. CI stated that [redacted] is still driving his pink 1960 Chrysler, 2-door.

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[redacted]  
[redacted] was discussing the difference between Negro and white prostitutes at one point in their conversation and commented that there are fewer "queers" among the Negro girls. He also commented that he had had as many as [redacted] CI stated this refers to Negro girls who work in connection with the [redacted] in which [redacted] is involved.

CI stated he suggested to [redacted] that he [redacted] [redacted] advised he would contact [redacted]

CI stated he had been to the 5th Street Drug about 10:00 PM, [redacted] and asked him how he was getting along. [redacted] stated he could not tell yet (referring to [redacted] and showed CI [redacted] which CI noted [redacted] CI stated he could not [redacted]

At the Michael Tavern about 11:30 PM CI observed JOE GURERA, [redacted]

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At the Orchid Room about midnight were [redacted]

CI remained at the Gas Light Tavern from about [redacted] (nephew of [redacted]), [redacted] were there earlier in the evening. CI advised that [redacted] [redacted] was there when the others left.

At 4:00 AM, 9/17/60, at [redacted] Pool Hall. CI observed [redacted] MIKE HARRIS, [redacted] CHARLES MUELLER, [redacted] VINCE ORLANDO and [redacted]

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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 9/23/60

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT : [REDACTED]

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CI, during a roving contact 9/20/60, furnished the following: At Michaels Tavern 10:30 to midnight 9/17/60, observed the following: [REDACTED] (just back from Las Vegas), [REDACTED]

JOE GURERA,

1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-109  
1 - 92-115 (Carl Civella)  
1 - 92-116 (Nicholas Civella)  
1 - 92-246 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-253 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-254 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-256 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-262 (Anthony Civella)  
1 - 92-265 (Louis Nigro)  
1 - 92-271 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-293 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-316 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-318 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-324 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-326 (Joe Gurera)  
1 - 92-264 (Joe Carrolla)  
1 - 92-470 (Jasper Mirabile)  
1 - 92-515 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-517 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-526 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-527 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-535 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-546 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-553 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-554 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-555 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-558 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-559 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-564 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-566 [REDACTED]

1 - 92-579 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-611 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-612 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-614 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-616 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-619 (Vince Orland)  
1 - 92-624 [REDACTED]

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
CARL CIVELLA, [redacted]  
[redacted]

At the Stage Door only [redacted] and his girl friend were observed.

The LaStrada is still closed.

[redacted], ANTHONY CIVELLA, JOE CARROLLA, [redacted] JASPER [redacted] were observed.

At the [redacted] NICHOLAS CIVELLA and his wife, [redacted]. [redacted] CI if he had [redacted] CI claimed that he told [redacted] that he did not and [redacted] commented that [redacted]

[redacted] Pool Hall was closed.

At [redacted] came the afternoon of 9/18/60. (2:00 to 6:00 p.m.) were [redacted] VINCE ORLANDO. [redacted]

CI reported that [redacted] is driving a silver [redacted] He has turned his 1960 Buick back to [redacted] CI believes that the [redacted] have the same arrangements with [redacted] as ANTHONY CIVELLA has with [redacted] ANTHONY CIVELLA a new car when the new model comes out and CIVELLA [redacted]

According to CI, [redacted] is extremely afraid of the Italian hoodlum element and they have [redacted]

CI reported that [redacted] obtained a dance license for the [redacted] on 9/20/60.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the afternoon of 9/19/60.  
were ANTHONY CIVELLA. LOUIS NIGRO. CARL CIVELLA. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

The same crowd with the exception of ANTHONY CIVELLA  
were also here on 9/20/60 during the afternoon.

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TO : SAC. [REDACTED]

Date: 10/6/60

FROM : SA DON W. WALTERS

SUBJECT : [REDACTED]

CI telephonically furnished the following information on 9/27/60:

On the afternoon of 9/26/60, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA called him to one side and asked CI if he knew [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He requested that CI check with any contacts he might have in an effort to verify a rumor that [REDACTED]

CIVELLA told CI that he had heard that [REDACTED] was planning [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CIVELLA was visibly worried as he stated if [REDACTED] he would have to [REDACTED]

He made the statement to CI [REDACTED]

1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-109  
1 - 92-115 - Carl Civella  
1 - 92-111 - Mangiaracina  
1 - 92-114 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-124 - Ferina  
1 - 92-253 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-256 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-262 - Tony Civella  
1 - 92-271 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-265 - L. Nigro

1 - 92-293 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-316 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-317 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-326 - Gurera  
1 - 92-364 - Joe Carrola  
1 - 92-515 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-521 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-470 - Mirabile  
1 - 92-531 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-532 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-566 - [REDACTED]

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[redacted]  
CIVELLA also told CI that [redacted] had recently  
wanted to [redacted]  
[redacted] and also a house of  
prostitution. When he put this up to [redacted]  
refused to go along and that is the reason [redacted]  
CIVELLA said he didn't want [redacted]  
[redacted]

While CI was still [redacted]  
of the No. 1 Squad of the KCMO PD came in. [redacted]  
[redacted]

CI reported the following at the Produce Club  
on 9/26/60:

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FELIX FERINA  
[redacted]

CARL DE LUNA  
TONY CIVELLA  
[redacted]

CARL CIVELLA  
LOUIS NIGRO  
[redacted]

(dropped \$5,000)

CI reported the following observed on the night  
of 9/26/60 at the places designated:

Club Michaels  
[redacted]



[redacted]

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Jungle Club

CARL CIVELLA and [redacted]

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[redacted]

Gas Light

[redacted] & father  
[redacted]

Giovannis Steak House

JOHN MANGIARACINA

[redacted]

Antonio's Pizzeria #1

TONY CIVELLA and [redacted]  
JASPER MARIBALE  
JOE CARROLLA

[redacted]

Pancake Patio

[redacted]

CI observed the following on the afternoon of  
9/26/60 at the places set out:

Stage Door

[redacted]

[REDACTED]

Giovannis Steak House

JOHNNY MANGIARACINA

[REDACTED]  
JOE GUREBA

[REDACTED] (Teamsters Union)

4-126 (Rev. 7-30-56)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Date 12-19-60

TO: SAC, Kansas City

RE: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
FBI #4,059,366, GA file #J-445  
#46592 PD, Kansas City, Mo., 6-6-60

Latest available photograph of subject in Bufiles taken 1950. If possible, secure later photograph and forward to Latent Fingerprint Section.

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John Edgar Hoover  
Director

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

Date: 1/5/61

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI contacted agent via telephone 12/21/60 and furnished the following information:

92-643 CI could furnish no information regarding this matter. The subject or others involved are not known to him and he has heard nothing that would indicate any of these were in Kansas City.

31-6189 This matter involves information from the City Liquor Control Board believing that [REDACTED] ET AL AR who had applied for a liquor license was doing so for the [REDACTED] CI identified [REDACTED] as the former wife of [REDACTED] former Kansas City hoodlum and Teamster representative now living in the [REDACTED] area. He also advised that runs the [REDACTED] signs checks and goes to [REDACTED]

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1 each [REDACTED]

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92-111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)

92-115 (EARL CIVELLA)

92-116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)

92-124 (FELIX FERNIA)

92-160 (FRANK BALISTRIERI)

92-177 [REDACTED]

92-243 (CARL DE LUNA)

92-262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)

92-265 (LOUIS NIGRO)

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the bank for him. This may have been an attempt by [redacted] to obtain a liquor license in connection with his purchase [redacted] It will be noted that CI previously reported [redacted] had purchased this club from [redacted] but would probably turn it back to him as he had been unable to obtain the license. It is noted [redacted] has opened the [redacted] (as of 12/1/60) at the site of [redacted]  
[redacted]

91-2399 UNSUB; Firearms confiscated from [redacted]  
[redacted] CI reports that [redacted]  
[redacted], CARL DE LUNA, FERINA, etc. and that they were at this particular location because of their being readily available to close associates such as [redacted] or the [redacted] who might not go on the actual robbery but  
[redacted]

as active stickup men. Regarding the possible theory that relatives of TONY TROMBINO, killed in California a few years ago may have found these guns and equipment in his effects in California and returned them here, CI states that such a thing just would not happen. In the first place according to CI, [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted]  
These two are not known as stickup men and would not attract the attention of the police. CI stated that [redacted]

and to CI's personal knowledge was so employed in the past few days. CI stated that [redacted] of JACK and [redacted]

CI corrected previous information which he stated probably resulted from this relationship, regarding the report that [redacted] was the [redacted] and was at one time a part time employee of the [redacted] CI stated this employment was correct but that [redacted] is not to his knowledge [redacted] to the [redacted] although [redacted] were close associates in crime.

92-177-59 [redacted] aka AR. Re telephone calls made to Kansas City-lead. CI stated that [redacted] the Italian Gardens. Mrs. [redacted] is not known to CI. CI advanced the possibility that these calls were made to Kansas City in connection with the appearance of the son of [redacted] and another man and woman from the [redacted] about August, 1960. He stated that photographs of [redacted] and the others appeared in the window of the Italian Gardens and there was a story about them in the Kansas City Star.

92-160 FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR. CI could furnish no additional information regarding the visit of BUSTER BALESTRERE in Kansas City during the first of April than previously reported by the CI. He pointed out that JOE GURERA is the closest contact of BUSTER when in Kansas City.

92-646 [redacted] Negative.

CI reported that he does not know who is president of the Italian Social Club but is of the opinion that at the Columbus Day Dinner when new officers take over. [redacted] He advised that [redacted] American (Kansas City Tribune) 72nd and Olive, would know and never suspect anything if a person called.

CI stated that he had received a telephone call from a reporter of the Kansas City Star following the [redacted] CI

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] When told that the reporter understood [redacted] CI stated this was not true as to his [redacted]

CI stated that in all probability FELIX FERINA has been subjected to criticism because of his failure to properly do the job on the [redacted] case and the [redacted] [redacted] if it was intended that [redacted]

CI stated that a few days past [redacted] (65 years old) had seen him at [redacted] and ask him to come to his house. When he did so [redacted] tried to

[redacted]

CI advised that he has had a number of visits from [redacted] son-in-law of [redacted] These two have been long time friends of CI and [redacted] In spite of this CI states he has considered the possibility of their being a plant and will under no circumstances give any indication that [redacted] has informed CI that [redacted] had asked him if [redacted] and when told that he had not been, [redacted] made the comment, "Well, don't."

CI states that he has been getting out some [redacted]

[redacted] He stated he has been spending considerable time at [redacted] with the crowd there. He claims those gambling

[redacted]  
here have not [redacted]  
[redacted]

around. He stated he has heard comments about the big games going on at the Produce Club (This has been noted by spot checks by agents). [redacted] a few days ago is reported to have [redacted] in a game with CARL CIVELLA, [redacted] LOUIS NIGRO in which [redacted] in six minutes but before the evening was over had won \$18,000. He stated [redacted] is a known plunger who will double up on his bets and when he is winning will give people around him money to play on without asking to be repaid. He stated he has seen [redacted] give small time gamblers as much as a \$100 at one time. He added that [redacted] is reported to have bought the three CIVELLAS (NICHOLAS, CARL AND ANTHONY) a [redacted]

In commenting about the recent [redacted] and others involved, CI repeated the comment he has previously reported as coming from CARL CIVELLA that [redacted] will do a person a favor once in a while but that [redacted] wants to "hog" everything and wants to get rich. It is to be noted that CI has previously reported the comment by CARL CIVELLA that [redacted] could not stand an investigation by the Bureau of Internal Revenue because he owns at least two houses and both he and his wife are heavy spenders, spending beyond the salaries received by them. CIVELLA reportedly made this comment in a manner indicating he "had something on [redacted]". This information concerning [redacted] as coming from a source which could not be disclosed or that it be attributed to this office was furnished the Director of Internal Revenue orally by the SAC on 12/20/60.

CI stated that the people observed at tables in front part of the room in the [redacted] place are playing "Texas Rummy" at five cents a point and that the real gamblers are in the back part of the room behind a partition.

CI advised that [redacted] occasionally [redacted] has made it a point to [redacted] [redacted] reportedly claims that "They" (meaning the Clique) first start "smear rumors" about someone and then set him up for a killing. He [redacted] EDDIE to always [redacted] stated that [redacted] is very bitter and has made the comment [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] but that it is the members of the family. CI stated that [redacted] indicated that he [redacted] wouldn't be surprised if [redacted]

[redacted] EDDIE. Also that he, [redacted] was more concerned about the [redacted] would go through. He reportedly made the comment "You ought to see [redacted]". CI stated that if the "Clique" ever orders the killing of [redacted] it will probably be done by [redacted] or by [redacted] with whom [redacted] is quite friendly. CI stated these two are the only ones [redacted] will let get close to him.

Attn: DIRECTOR, FBI  
Latent Fingerprint Section  
SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

1/11/61

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
FBI #4,059,366, GA file #J-445  
#46592 PD, Kansas City, Mo., 6-6-60

Re form 1-126, dated 12/19/60.

Enclosed is a photograph of JOSEPH FRANK  
GURERA, taken 6/6/60, which was obtained from the  
files of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-466)      DATE: 2/28/61  
FROM : SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] was interviewed by Agents at the Kansas City Office on 2/25/61 in connection with GLABOM, and a separate memorandum has been directed to that file. During the interview, he furnished the following descriptive, background, and miscellaneous information:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	[REDACTED]
Weight	[REDACTED]
Hair	Black
Eyes	Hazel
Build	Heavy
Complexion	[REDACTED]
Scars and Marks	[REDACTED]
Occupation	[REDACTED]
Marital Status	Married, wife [REDACTED]
Children	[REDACTED]
Daughter	[REDACTED]
Parents	[REDACTED]
Military Service	None

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Automobile

1959 blue Chevrolet  
station wagon with

[redacted] advised that he [redacted]  
which [redacted] on the west, with a passageway  
between the two. His wife, [redacted]

He stated he was aware of the rumor that JOE GURERA had a financial interest in this club, but that this is entirely false. He explained that GURERA, prior to several months ago, did frequent this establishment on numerous occasions but this was due merely to their being friends. He explained that one of the reasons GURERA does not frequent this place at the present time is because of a "no account" \$25 check which GURERA had endorsed and did not make good.

He related that the FBI files would undoubtedly show that he was previously questioned in 1947 in connection [redacted]  
[redacted] victim in a gangland killing.

He mentioned that some years ago he [redacted]  
[redacted] which at that time was  
operated by [redacted]

[redacted] mentioned, as has been set forth in a memorandum in the [redacted] matter, that he had ordered a number of young Italians away from [redacted]

Further, that he believes [redacted] and his associates may be responsible for exploding a firecracker against one of [redacted] windows several months ago.

[redacted] advised that he is acquainted with most of the Italian element in the so-called "North Side", and that a good many of these, which included FELIX FERINA, CARL DE LUNA, [redacted]

[redacted] and the CIVELLAS, occasionally visit [redacted]  
In this connection, he mentioned that VINCE

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ORLANDO and MANUEL PERINCE were in [redacted] about one hour before they were killed in an explosion and fire at a local tavern several weeks ago.

He occasionally gambles at the Produce Club, and said that LOUIS NIGRO apparently operates the game and wins quite a bit of money.

When questioned as to who he considered to be the leader of the Italian people in Kansas City, particularly as to whom they would go to if some sort of trouble should arise involving them, he said that he did not know of his own knowledge that there was such a leader among the Italian people in the Kansas City area, but would say that he had heard that if there was, this person would undoubtedly be NICK CIVELLA. He was aware of the newspaper publicity mentioning that NICK CIVELLA and JOE FILARDO reportedly attended the notorious meeting at Apalachin, New York.

Continuing, he said that if there is a Mafia in Kansas City, Missouri, that it would be his opinion that FILARDO would be the type of man who would be its head. He said that he based this opinion on the fact that FILARDO is a quiet, industrious, and highly respected citizen in the Kansas City, Missouri Italian community.

[redacted] said that he knows absolutely nothing about NICK CIVELLA's business interests, other than to say that he suspected that possibly NICK made most of his money from gambling, and said that he has also heard that NICK possibly has certain "ins" with the City administration.

[redacted] said that he had no specific information in this regard, and that he did not know the names of any individuals either in the City administration or connected with gambling in the Kansas City, Missouri area with whom NICK actually did business.

When asked if any person had ever demanded an [redacted] he did not reply immediately, but finally indicated that such had happened, but he would rather not discuss the matter at this time.

[redacted] was asked if he knew of any attempt made by any individual to obtain an interest through force or threat in the Jewel Box or Colony Club. He answered in the affirmative, indicating that he had understood JOSEPH GURERA had demanded a share in these two taverns. He stated,

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in fact, that [redacted] came to him about a year ago, indicating that such a demand [redacted] and requested [redacted] [redacted] stated he talked to several people, whose names he did not wish to disclose, and informed them that they were making a mistake in making such a demand. He stated he does not know what eventually prevented GURERA from obtaining the interests in these businesses but understands [redacted] [redacted] which may have had some influence.

[redacted] advised that he is acquainted with one BUSTER BALESTRERE of Milwaukee. He stated BALESTRERE is a close friend or relative of JOSEPH GURERA's, and always visits GURERA when he comes to Kansas City. He believes BALESTRERE operates a tavern in Milwaukee, but he could furnish no additional information as to his background or business interests.

Others named who had frequented [redacted]

[redacted] were [redacted]

[redacted] known "boosters".

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-291) DATE: 2/28/61

FROM: SAs [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED], aka

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[REDACTED] aka [REDACTED] was interviewed  
by SAs [REDACTED] at the  
U. S. Courthouse, Kansas City, Mo., 2/27/61.

At that time [REDACTED] advised that he presently  
resides at [REDACTED] and that  
his home phone number is [REDACTED]. He said that he

[REDACTED] Produce Club, Third and  
Walnut Streets, Kansas City, Mo., which club is, he said,  
to the best of his knowledge, owned and operated by LOUIS  
NIGRO, who [REDACTED] He said that [REDACTED]  
at the Produce Club is [REDACTED]

He was questioned as to relatives that he might  
have residing in Kansas City, Mo., and he mentioned the fol-  
lowing as being [REDACTED]

He said that [REDACTED] has  
been missing for some time. He stated it is his belief that  
probably [REDACTED] was done away with due to the fact that some  
time before he vanished he had been shot in the head, al-  
though it did not kill him.

With reference [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], as far as he knows, since  
he was born, but that inasmuch as he is of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] he thinks the [REDACTED]

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[redacted] related that he has [redacted] at the Produce Club for some time. He stated he normally gets there around [redacted] and leaves anywhere between [redacted]. He said he is not aware of the identity of anyone having an interest in the operation of the Produce Club, other than LOUIE NIGRO. He indicated that LOUIE runs the game in the daytime and said that LOUIE and his wife also operate an Italian restaurant called Luciens. [redacted] was queried as to whether or not he actually [redacted] at the Produce Club and said that [redacted]; that [redacted].

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Among individuals whom he admitted being acquainted with and who do gamble occasionally or more often at the Produce Club, he mentioned FELIX FERINA, CARL DE LUNA, and [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] to his knowledge, never comes into the Produce Club, unless he does it during the daytime. He said that another acquaintance of his who frequents the Produce Club is CARL "CORKY" CIVELLA. In this connection he said that he could not recall having ever seen CARL's brother, NICK, at the Produce Club, although said that he is acquainted with NICK CIVELLA. With reference to any business connections which CARL CIVELLA might have, [redacted] said he understood he had a drugstore located at 31st and Indiana in KCMO. He stated he knew that his son, ANTHONY CIVELLA, operated two pizzerias in KCMO; however, in reference to NICK CIVELLA, he says he does not know what type of business interests NICK might have and, as he recalls, he has not seen NICK in over a year.

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He claimed not to know [redacted] and to have no knowledge of the operation of the Midwest Money Exchange. He admitted acquaintanceship with JOE FILARDO and [redacted]. [redacted] however, in reference to FILARDO, said that he did not believe that FILARDO is in any position of authority among the Italians in KCMO, although admitted knowing that FILARDO and NICK CIVELLA attended the notorious Appalachian meeting in New York state. [redacted] was questioned as to whom among the Kansas City Italian people he would consider to be the recognized leader, particularly of the "North Side" group, and replied that he believed that this person would be NICK CIVELLA. In this connection he said he felt NICK CIVELLA would be the person whom the Italians would go to to iron out differences and disputes, and he would be the one who would take action to level things off.

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He said with reference to [redacted] that as far as he knows [redacted] the [redacted] in Kansas City and he believes they [redacted] BULLY RICH shortly before he died.

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He said he has known MORRIS "SNAG" KLEIN and MAX JABEN for a number of years. He said he knows that KLEIN operates the Toy and Jobbers Mart in KCMO but does not believe that he has seen KLEIN in approximately three years. He said he has not seen MAX JABEN for approximately one year and indicated he did not know what business JABEN was presently in.

He stated he is also acquainted with [redacted] better known as [redacted]; however, he said he did not believe that he has seen [redacted] at the Produce Club since he [redacted]. He stated he knows nothing relative to [redacted] present employment or activities.

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He said he has known ALEXANDER [redacted] for a number of years but has never seen either of them at the Produce Club and does not believe that they gamble. He said that as far as he knows ALEX PRESTA is the political contact man, if you want to call it that, for the "North Side" Italians.

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He admitted knowing [redacted] whom he said he knew to be some kind of [redacted] in KCMO Teamsters Union, although said he had no knowledge as to whether or not [redacted] is a friend of NICK CIVELLA. He said that as far as he knows this is the only individual connected with labor unions in this area with whom he is acquainted.

With reference to the patrons who patronize the Produce Club, he said, of course, that a number of the Italians who had been mentioned during the conversation patronized the club and, in addition, numerous truck drivers, tavern keepers, and a lot of people off the market primarily make up the patrons of the club.

With reference to the younger group of Italians with whom he is acquainted, he mentioned that he knows [redacted]

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[redacted] store, and said that this acquaintanceship derives from the fact that he very often [redacted] from the [redacted] He said he does not know by name [redacted] [redacted] although indicated he might know the father of the

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[redacted] brothers. He said he knew none of the [redacted]

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[redacted] furnished the following background and descriptive data relative to himself:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[redacted]
POB	[redacted]
Height	5'7½"
Weight	170 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Gray
Scars and Marks	None
Occupation	[redacted]
Complexion	Medium
Build	Heavy
Marital Status	Married; wife - [redacted]
Children	[redacted]
Relatives	[redacted]
Criminal Record	Claims no convictions; numerous arrests investigation, suspected of gambling

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (92-109)

DATE: 3/2/61

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM

[REDACTED] was interviewed in the Kansas City Office 2/17/61 in the GLABOM matter, and a separate FD 302 has been submitted to that file.

[REDACTED] advised he had been [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] and that he is taking steps to get out of the [REDACTED]. He stated he had taken a great deal of abuse as the result of his activities [REDACTED] and he particularly resented the attitude of Attorney General KENNEDY when [REDACTED] regarding his past criminal record.

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- 1 - 92-114 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)
- 1 - 92-116 (NICK CIVELLA)
- 1 - 92-124 (FELIX FERINA)
- 1 - 92-243 (CARL DELUNA)
- 1 - 92-246 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-253 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-254 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-261 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-267 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-279 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-290 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-316 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-321 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-324 [REDACTED]
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During this interview, [ ] was questioned by SA [ ] and SA [ ] regarding [ ] who was involved in Teamster Union difficulties [ ] Wichita, Kansas several years ago. He claimed to have last seen [ ] about three months ago when [ ]

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[ ] truck. He said he believes [ ] headquarters in St. Louis and he does not believe that [ ] comes to Kansas City on a regular run. He did not know the identity of any contacts of [ ] in Kansas City, but he assumed [ ] would contact the [ ] if there is one in Kansas City. This information was already furnished SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF.

[ ] advised he had never heard of any type of automobile bombing other than those incidents in which an explosive charge was attached to the electrical system of the automobile. He did not believe instant bombing was the action of members of the Teamsters Local and he stated he knew no one in the criminal element in the area of Kansas City whom he would name as possible suspects. He claimed he had never heard of [ ] having been involved in any type of bombing. He believed that the type of bomb described in the paper as being used in this case would have been fully constructed with the exception of it being attached to the explosive before it was actually placed on the automobile. He stated that the usual thinking is that a person placing such a bomb would do so after all lights had been turned off in a residence, but this is not always true. He stated it is his understanding that many criminals prefer to carry out their activities when it involves a residence when the lights are on indicating that their victim is inside the house, rather than when the lights are off. He explained that if one waits until the house is entirely dark, they never know but what their victim may be sitting in a dark garage or part of the house observing the exterior.

[ ] stated that he has a [ ] near [ ] where he is [ ] and that he is out of the labor union permanently.

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In discussing the Kansas City underworld, [redacted] stated he had lived in Kansas City for many years, [redacted] STINE FASONE and CHARLES GARGOTTA were killed [redacted]. During his years in Kansas City prior to [redacted] he became acquainted with the following, whom he described as being of the North Side Section or known Kansas City criminals:

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[redacted] tavern operator

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[redacted] tavern at  
11th and McGee

JOHN MANGIARACINA

JOE GURERA

FELIX FERINA, whom he described as a

[redacted]

[redacted] who is a slight acquaintance

CARL DELUNA, [redacted]

[redacted] who have invited him  
to eat free at the [redacted] on such  
occasions as when he is out of money

[redacted] described as [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he has gambled at the Produce Club on a number of occasions playing 4-5-6 with CARL CIVELLA and other regular players. He stated that he understands a bank roll is maintained by "The Clique" for the operation of this game and that "The Clique" gets a regular cut of the winnings. He further explained that anyone winning in this game will never be molested on leaving this club and "The Clique" will take steps to see that this reputation is maintained. He stated that [redacted] is not trusted by "The Clique" and he certainly would not have been used in such as GLABOM if "The Clique" had any part in this matter. [redacted] was well acquainted with the old [redacted] and commented that [redacted] was once a member of this gang.

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The following description and background data  
was furnished by [redacted]

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Name	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[redacted]
POB	[redacted]
Address	[redacted]
Identification	[redacted]
Record FBI #	[redacted]
Automobile	1960 white Buick hardtop, [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he [redacted]  
[redacted] and he does not recall [redacted]  
[redacted] His present wife is [redacted] His  
wife's sister, [redacted] was at one time married to [redacted]  
[redacted], the brother of [redacted].  
MIKE ERGOVITCH disappeared from Kansas City. [redacted]  
identified [redacted] as a former wife who is a prostitute  
and who for several years [redacted]  
[redacted] in KCMO.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-470)      DATE: 3/1/61  
FROM : SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] was interviewed at the Kansas City FBI Office on 2/28/61 by SAs [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Inasmuch as complete background information relative to [REDACTED] is contained in instant file, it is not being repeated in this memorandum.

In connection with the so-called "North Side" Italian faction, [REDACTED] said that he is acquainted with [REDACTED]

to JOE FILARDO, [REDACTED]. He said, of course, that he has associated with many of these individuals, including [REDACTED], CARL and NICK CIVELLA, and many others, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Relative to NICK CIVELLA, [REDACTED] said NICK, insofar as he knows, is not a leader of the Italian "North Side" faction, although he has, of course, seen in the papers many times in articles that NICK is referred to as being a leader of this group, and as also being mixed up in Kansas City politics. He said he had no personal knowledge whatever to verify that anything he had read or heard along this line was true.

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He said that he is not too well acquainted with the younger Italian element in KCMO, although stated that one of the younger ones, namely, [redacted], is presently employed [redacted]

He said that he has absolutely no business interests whatever which involve NICK or CARL CIVELLA, but that he is [redacted]

He said that in connection with [redacted] than [redacted]

and his [redacted]

He said that he is acquainted with both CARL "TUFFY" DE LUNA and FELIX FERINA. He said that he would have no idea as to FERINA's whereabouts at the time of the GLADDEN bombing. *Bro-m. law (Joe 8)*

He was questioned as to whether or not he is acquainted with one BUSTER BALESTRERE, who resides in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He said that he is acquainted with BALESTRERE, and that occasionally BALESTRERE comes into Kansas City, and said that he thinks that BUSTER is the son of JAMES BALESTRERE, who died in KCMO a year or so ago. He said that he thinks that BALESTRERE runs some type of night club or tavern in Milwaukee, but has never been there. He said he also knows that BALESTRERE has a [redacted] whom he only knows by the nickname of [redacted] who is [redacted] in Las Vegas, Nevada.

With reference to the GLADDEN bombing, [redacted] said that he would gladly take a polygraph examination at any time it might be desired of him.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC (92-270)

DATE: 2/28/61

FROM: SA [REDACTED]  
SA EARL C. PORTER

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], aka [REDACTED] was interviewed at the Kansas City Office on 2/23/61 and furnished the following descriptive data:

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Race  
Sex  
Nationality  
Residence

White  
Male

Phone

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1-92-113 (JOSEPH FILARDO)  
1-92-114 [REDACTED]  
1-92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
1-92-116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)  
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1-92-124 (FELIX FERINA)  
1-92-242 (CARL DE LUNA)  
1-92-244 (WILLIE CAMMISANO)  
1-92-246 [REDACTED]  
1-92-252 [REDACTED]  
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1-92-254 [REDACTED]  
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1-92-258 [REDACTED]  
1-92-259 [REDACTED]  
1-92-261 [REDACTED]  
1-92-262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)  
1-92-265 (LOUIS NIGRO)  
1-92-270 [REDACTED]  
1-92-271 [REDACTED]  
1-92-272 (JOE LASCUOLA)  
1-92-273 [REDACTED]

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1-92-634 (FRANK PISCIOTTA)

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Business

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Height

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Eyes

Build

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Military Service

Automobile

5'3"

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Black

Dark brown

Small

Dark

None

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[ ] indicated that the reason for his not knowing the married names and addresses of his children is because he is "on the outs" with them and only his wife maintains contact with them.

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In viewing photographs of known Kansas City hoodlums, [ ] identified the photographs of those individuals to whom copies of this memo are being directed. Specific information regarding any of these individuals furnished by [ ] will be set forth.

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[ ] was interviewed primarily in connection with GLABOM matter to which a separate memo is directed and he denied any knowledge as to a possible motive for the bombing of [ ] automobile and claimed to have heard no comments as to the identity of possible suspects. He was not acquainted with [ ] and had never been in the area of [ ] residence.

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[ ] stated that he had gambled rather frequently [ ] where the day game is reportedly owned and operated by LOUIS NIGRO. [ ] the [ ] operates the game at this location at night. [ ] stated that he plays [ ] Many of the games will extend throughout the night and the following day. CARL CIVELLA, [ ] and FELIX FERINA were names mentioned by [ ] as frequently in the gambling games.

[ ] stated that the gambling game known as "pan" is played at 5th and Grand which is sometimes referred to as the Democratic Club or [ ] He said [ ], also known as [ ], can usually be found at this location.

Regarding the [ ] denied that anyone other than [ ] have any connection with the [ ] the [ ] The business has been in the present location for the past 2 years. [ ] who [ ] the Puritan Hotel. The building is believed to be owned by an individual [ ] admitted that he [ ] at this location, but denies that there is any football lottery ticket activity [ ] He is acquainted with [ ], whom he stated "operates a book", but he is a seldom visitor to [ ] Frequent visitors to the [ ] are [ ].

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[redacted] stated that he does not [redacted]  
[redacted] at the present time. He  
admitted that prior to about one year ago, he had handled  
a few items of "hot" merchandise, specifically recalling  
[redacted]  
items from a "booster" known as [redacted]. He also  
purchased [redacted]

Specific comments made by [redacted] in viewing  
various photographs included [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] whom he knows [redacted] at the Jungle Club. He  
referred to [redacted] and CARL CIVELLA as [redacted]  
[redacted] the Jungle Club, but stated it is listed in the  
[redacted]. He referred to [redacted]  
as one who works for CARL CIVELLA. It is to be noted that  
[redacted] for a number of years [redacted] the Duke's  
Plaza Drug which CARL CIVELLA is reported to have a half  
interest. It is further noted that in recent interview,  
with [redacted] he claimed that ANTHONY CIVELLA was the  
owner and that [redacted] had been "kicked" out.

OPTIONAL FORM No. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)      DATE: 3/1/61

FROM : SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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GURERA was interviewed at the Kansas City Office of the FBI on 2/27/61 by SAs [REDACTED] and at that time related that he presently resides at 9021 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas, and indicated that he has an interest in three self-service laundries, two in KCMO and one in Leavenworth, Kansas.

He admitted acquaintanceship with many prominent Kansas City, Mo. Italians, including NICK and CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED] and many others. He denied having any idea as to any business interests or other activities of NICK CIVELLA, however, said that it was his understanding that [REDACTED] the Jungle Club in downtown Kansas City. He said he has no connections with any of the "North Side" Italians, and said that while it has been rumored that he once had an interest in the "Club Michaels" in KCMO, that he actually never had any interest whatever in this night club. He said that while he would admit acquaintance with the above-mentioned Italians, that he would never furnish any information relative to these individuals under any circumstances, and at the same time indicated that under no circumstances would he take a polygraph examination. He admitted that he also knows CARL DE LUNA and FELIX FERINA, however, said that he sees them only on rare occasions, and said he had no idea of the whereabouts of DE LUNA or FERINA at the time of the [REDACTED] bombing. He said that he does not believe that there is any organized Italian element in KCMO, and that he has never heard of anyone whom he would consider to be the organized leader of such a group.

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He furnished the following personal data concerning himself:

Name	JOSEPH FRANK GURERA
Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	Italian
Date of Birth	July 4, 1925
Place of Birth	Kansas City, Missouri
Height	5'9"
Weight	170 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Scars and Marks	None
Complexion	Dark
Build	Medium
Occupation	Operator of coin-operated laundries
Parents	Mother - ELIZABETH OLIVER, residence, 400 Olive Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Father - deceased
Marital Status	Married, wife [redacted] nee [redacted]
Children	Four, eldest boy [redacted]
Military Service	None
Education	Graduated from grade school
Criminal Record	Advises has served no time and never convicted.
Automobile	1959 white Chevrolet Impala, does not know license number.

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*admitted Buster Balestere, is married to [redacted] Has relatives in Milwaukee was here for funeral about a year ago.*

SAC, [REDACTED]

4/20/61

SA [REDACTED] (A)

[REDACTED]

PCI

Re: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
Joe G., Joseph Frank Guerera  
AT

On April 17, 1961, PCI [REDACTED]  
furnished the following information:

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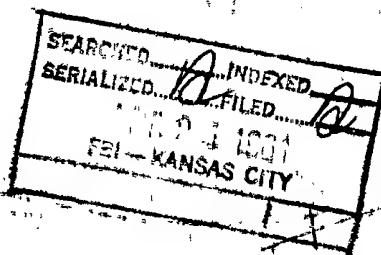
When in the Spring of 1960, JOE G. GURERA contacted  
[REDACTED] he explained that  
he was moving in for 1/3 of the profits of the Colony Club  
and the Jewel Box; [REDACTED]  
directly by GURERA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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- 1 - [REDACTED]
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[redacted]  
[redacted] had made up his mind that [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] pointed out that GURERA contacted only [redacted] and any statement by [redacted] could not be substantiated by any witness since no one else was present. Since no share of profits was ever made to anyone, the scheme was not successful and therefore, [redacted] feels that any County Grand Jury or Federal Grand Jury would be unable to make any charge against anyone.

[redacted] reiterated that although [redacted] he fully expensed some [redacted]

He is therefore, still of the definite belief that if he [redacted]  
[redacted]

He feels that any testimony about GURERA's demands would be particularly useless because of lack of substantiating witness to any statement that [redacted] might make and the fact that the demands were not acceded to.

He is certain that [redacted] feels the same

[redacted] and that at the time the

[redacted] was [redacted]

if [redacted]  
[redacted]

either be unable to recall GURERA's demands or would claim that it was just a request for political contributions.



Alleged Fencing of  
Merchandise at The Colony Club

[ ] disclaimed any knowledge of any fencing of any kind of property, either appliances or other merchandise at the Colony Club. He explained that [ ] would not to his knowledge sell any stolen goods.

[ ] part-time bartender about a year ago by the name of [ ] who was indicted by the Jackson County Grand Jury during 1960, probably in the Summer of fencing Western clothing. He was tried recently in State Court and was acquitted. This activity on the part of [ ] would indicate that [ ] was probably involved in handling stolen merchandise, but to [ ] knowledge that was the extent of the fencing at the Colony Club.

[ ] explained that though he himself had in the past [ ]

[ ] advised that if he learns of any fencing operations at the Colony Club he will immediately advise the Kansas City Office.

SAC, Milwaukee (92-166)

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SAC, Kansas City (92-896)

BUSTIANO VITO BALESTREXX, aka  
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Re Milwaukee report by SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE dated  
5-4-61.

In connection with a lead set forth in referenced  
report, the following data is being reported regarding telephone  
subscribers in Kansas City to whose numbers calls were made  
by subject.

JOHN MOLLE of the Sarann Auto Leasing, 1404 McGee,  
Kansas City, Missouri, telephone Baltimore 1-0933, is the  
brother-in-law of the subject. His home phone is KM 1-5113  
at 444 East 74th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Telephone [redacted] is listed to [redacted]  
[redacted] and HA 1-9127 in the Genesee Bar located at  
1615 Genesee [redacted] This individual is  
believed to be [redacted].

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In Kansas City, Kansas there is no [redacted] and  
[redacted] is listed to [redacted] wife [redacted]  
residing [redacted] is listed  
in directory as a plasterer. The subscriber to WI 8-1189 is  
JOE G. GURERA, 9021 Delmar and is identical with JOSEPH FRANK  
GURERA, FBI #4050366, a relative by marriage to the subject.  
Previous information has been furnished Milwaukee regarding  
the identity of GURERA.

Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City  
examined 5-12-61, contained a report on JOHN MOLLE and wife,  
[redacted], dated April, 1961. They reside at 444 East 74th Street,  
Kansas City and he is president of Sarann Auto Leasing, 1404  
McGee. He banks at the First State Bank, Kansas City, Kansas,  
and at Central Bank, Kansas City, Missouri, which banks are

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1 - 92-160  
1 - 92-326  
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frequently used by the leaders of the Italian criminal organization in this area. No information of value was obtained from Kansas City, Missouri Police Department regarding JOHN MOLLX, who was described as born 12-27-14, a white male, 5'11", 210 pounds.

Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City as of 5-12-61 contained a report on [redacted] and wife, [redacted] dated September, 1960. He is reported to be [redacted] since April, 1960, and was formerly connected with the [redacted] Records of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department reflect six traffic arrests and reflect his full name as [redacted] born [redacted] white male, 5'8", 130 pounds.

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[redacted] on 5-22-61 advised that on that date JOE GURERA at 1:30 p.m. informed CI he had just returned from Milwaukee where he had been during the previous week. GURERA commented that he goes to Milwaukee frequently but did not mention the names of anyone he had contacted in Milwaukee. CI is not acquainted with FRANK PETER BALISTRERI.

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It is anticipated that several informants of the Kansas City Office will have rather regular contacts with JOE GURERA in the immediate future and may also learn of visits to Kansas City by the subject. Any information developed will be promptly furnished the Milwaukee Office.

SAC (92-113)

6/12/61

SA DON W. WALTERS

JOSEPH FILARDO  
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On 6/5/61, CI's advised that all of the money from the various enterprises, both legal and illegal, in which Clique leaders and prominent Clique members are involved goes into a common pool, supervised by JOSEPH FILARDO [REDACTED] It is at this site where the money is divided among various Clique leaders. As recent as four years ago CI's knew that [REDACTED]

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of CI's that [REDACTED] may still act in the capacity of collector for such funds.

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1--92-109  
1--92-252 [REDACTED]  
1--92-123 [REDACTED]  
1--92-326 (JOSEPH GURERA)

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1- [REDACTED]  
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CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

On 6/5/61, CI's advised that an official of the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, (either [redacted] friend of [redacted] is allegedly a close personal at [redacted] and [redacted] allegedly on frequent occasions sends food from Kansas City to the U. S. Penitentiary for which he never charges anything. CI's advised that [redacted] presently an inmate of the [redacted]

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According to CI's, two Kansas City doctors allegedly went to the U. S. Penitentiary on 5/26/61 allegedly to operate on [redacted] who is supposed to be in a rather serious condition at present time suffering from cancer. It is rumored that an attempt will be made to obtain a parole for [redacted] because of his present physical condition which according to CI's may be a ruse for obtaining [redacted] liberty. CI's advised that through this alleged friendship between penitentiary official and [redacted], it is alleged that [redacted] has a free hand in getting information both in and out of the U.S.P.

CI's advised that they had received information from a very reliable source that [redacted] is becoming increasingly more powerful in his position in the Clique at the present time and is alleged to be receiving a cut of the income going to the Clique. They advised that an indication of the increased authority which [redacted] allegedly has is the fact that JOE GURERA has been seen on numerous occasions at [redacted] particularly during the evening hours. It is known to CI's that GURERA usually frequents those places which are known to be either operated or frequented by individuals with considerable

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1--92-112 [redacted]  
1--92-111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)  
1--92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
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authority in the Clique.

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At Leavenworth, Kansas

Will discreetly attempt to ascertain if [ ]  
[ ] at the penitentiary  
associates with [ ] and receives food from him.

Will also attempt to verify information regarding  
[ ]

S.C. KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

7/24/61

SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
FBI

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 7/24/61 and captioned as above.

On 7/24/61 FBI advised that [REDACTED] are humorously [REDACTED]

some to the people FBI indicated as being [REDACTED]

JOE [REDACTED], aka "Joe B" who is identical to JOE [REDACTED], as well as two individuals identified by [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] stated that one or more of the above individuals [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and he was unable to continue.

In future contacts with [REDACTED] this information will be more fully developed.

CC: [REDACTED]

92-109 (Top Hoodlum)  
162-2 (Interstate Gambling Activities)  
92-663 [REDACTED]  
92-114 [REDACTED]  
92-271 [REDACTED]  
92-326 (JOE [REDACTED])  
92-364 (JOE [REDACTED])

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[REDACTED]  
CI advised on 8/3/61 that she and [REDACTED] had attended a wake for GUSTIE GARGOTTA [REDACTED] on 8/2/61. Among the people observed there by CI were the following: JOHN MANGIARACINA, CARL CIVELLA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

CI advised that the wife and daughter of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] does not plan to accompany them.

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CI stated the [REDACTED] JOSEPH GURERA is [REDACTED] She is from a large family and has one [REDACTED]  
one of the GENOVA family.

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1 - 92-111 (John Mangiaracina)  
1 - 92-112 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-113 (Carl Civella)  
1 - 92-254 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-255 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-290 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-326 (Joseph Gurera)

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SAs DON W. WALTERS  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

CI and [redacted] were interviewed at their residence on 8/28/61 and furnished the following:

[redacted] reported that [redacted] had informed him that JOE GURERA has his house up for sale and when sold he plans to leave Kansas City.

[redacted] advised in connection with the above information she had while at the wake recently for GUSSIE GARGOTTA, learned [redacted] and [redacted] that BUSTER BALESTRERE had been in Kansas City about two months ago. [redacted] further advised that GURERA is known to have made several trips to Milwaukee in the past few months and it is entirely possible that GURERA may be planning to move to Milwaukee.

[redacted] also advised that [redacted] and her [redacted] in [redacted] have returned to Kansas City. Both [redacted] and [redacted] are inmates of the U. S. Prison, Leavenworth, Kansas.

[redacted] advised that she has gained the impression particularly because of comments made by [redacted] that [redacted] the son of [redacted] is definitely a partner of [redacted] in gambling interests in the Denver area. [redacted] had commented that on [redacted]

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- 1 - [redacted]
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- 1 - 92-111 (John Mangiaracina)
- 1 - 92-112 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-258 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-326 (Joe Gurera)
- 1 - 92-299 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-696 (Buster Balestreere)

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During the evening, [redacted] had reportedly advised [redacted] that her orders are to see [redacted] first on arriving in Kansas City before she goes [redacted]. Also that she goes immediately to the [redacted] and he thereafter [redacted]. Also [redacted] was not available. On this occasion, [redacted] instructed her to [redacted] where it would not be observed. [redacted] reportedly gave [redacted] an expensive pair of [redacted] for [redacted]. [redacted] advised that according to [redacted] a month to six weeks ago learned that the Government in Kansas City was interested in [redacted] and [redacted] made a quick plane trip to Kansas City and after talking to [redacted] at the air port, [redacted] reportedly has made a number of trips to Kansas City to see [redacted] in recent months, and reportedly is looking after the gambling activities in that area in which he and [redacted] are interested.

According to [redacted] [redacted] became associated with the [redacted] in the early 1940's when CHARLES BINAGGIO was in power in Kansas City. This CI recalls that BINAGGIO and his wife, [redacted] in the 1940's, were "wined and dined" by [redacted] and took them to a number of night spots in which they reportedly had financial interests. CI added that one [redacted] was then a powerful man in the organization in [redacted]. His wife was not an Italian. CI advised that there is something unusual about the close association between the [redacted] and [redacted] as they were never close in past years. It was CI's opinion that this relationship may be the result of [redacted] close connection with one or more of the U. S. Prison officials [redacted]. CI reported that [redacted] commented that [redacted] had sent so many [redacted] that they had to [redacted]. One of [redacted] was reported to be a [redacted] worth approximately \$100. According to [redacted] took them to the [redacted] west of [redacted] where there was a long line of people waiting to [redacted].

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[REDACTED] took them in through a rear entrance where [REDACTED] escorted them through the premises without waiting. The [REDACTED] according to [REDACTED] received special treatment because they furnish all the shrubs, did all the landscaping and contributed towards the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also claimed that [REDACTED] owns [REDACTED] all in her name which are merely fronts.

According to [REDACTED] JOHN MANGIARACINA, the comment was made that he, MANGIARACINA, has no interest in the Catalina of the Ozarks resort near Camdenon, Missouri and that he had sold the ten acres which he had owned next to this resort. MANGIARACINA claimed that he had not been down to this resort in several months and had loaned the boat which he usually keeps at this resort.

Optional Form No. 10  
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United States Government  
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC (92-109) DATE 9/22/61  
FROM: SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF  
SUBJECT: CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

Re SAC letter 61-50.

The attached letter to the Bureau in response to referenced SAC letter reflects that a number of cases should be opened concerning individuals who fall within the categories as suggested in this letter. Further, certain cases are presently in a pending status in the Kansas City Division and similar reports should be prepared in these cases. It is noted that these reports should be prepared in a form suitable for dissemination with the utilization of sub-headings prescribed for such reports. The format for these reports will be prepared in the immediate future and be available for review by those agents to whom these cases have been assigned.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: ~~11~~ SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-109)

DATE: 9/22/61

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CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

RE SAC letter 61-50.

A review of all pending and closed files in the Kansas City Office pertaining to categories coming within the Criminal Intelligence Program has been made. Reference is made to Kansas City letter to the Director dated 9/22/61 under above caption in which all pending matters coming within this program are set forth. It is to be noted that many matters in a pending classification pertain to individuals who are occupying positions of importance in the Kansas City criminal organization and reports have been forwarded concerning them.

The following listed cases are those which are at the present time in a closed status in this office and in which no report or recent report has been submitted under this program. These cases include persons who are linked with key figures, either in the capacity of lieutenants, intimate associates, enforcers, collectors or similar categories. In addition several individuals may fall within the purview of Federal legislation recently enacted. The following cases will be re-opened, investigation conducted and reports submitted:

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KC 92-713

KC 92-254

KC 92-244

KC 92-253

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KC 92-530

KC 92-473

KC 92-272

WILLIE CAMMASANO, FBI 769449

CARL ANGELO DE LUNA, FBI 4121933

JOSEPH LASCUOLA, FBI 467361

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KC 92-112	[REDACTED]
KC 92-111	JOHN MANGIARACINA, FBI 357650
KC 92-270	NAGEL JOSEPH MAROON, FBI 472766
KC 92-260	[REDACTED]
KC 92-420	[REDACTED]
KC 92-265	LOUIS LAWRENCE NIGRO, KCPD 91022
KC 92-261	[REDACTED]
KC 92-267	[REDACTED]
KC 92-273	[REDACTED]

The following listed cases are those of individuals in which pending investigations are being conducted and in which reports have not been submitted as requested in referenced SAC letter. These are exclusive of those pending investigations in this office where reports have been submitted. Requested reports will be submitted in the following pending matters:

KC 92-252	[REDACTED]
KC 92-246	[REDACTED]
KC 92-262	ANTHONY THOMAS CIVELLA, FBI 704222A
KC 92-224	FELIX FERINA, FBI 2683291
KC 92-532	[REDACTED]
KC 92-271	[REDACTED]
KC 92-417	[REDACTED]
KC 92-326	JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, FBI 4059366
KC 92-531	[REDACTED]
KC 92-258	[REDACTED]
KC 92-805	[REDACTED]

In addition five individuals are targets of this office under the Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program and complete background is being developed on each. Information concerning the identity of each has been furnished to the Bureau in Bufile # 66-2542-1-23, KC File 92-756.

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date 9-25-61

Subject

JOE GURERA

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Birthplace

Race

Sex

☒ Male

☐ Female

☐ Exact Spelling

☒ All References

☐ Main Subversive Case Files Only

☐ Subversive References Only

☐ Main Criminal Case Files Only

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SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-166)

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-696)

BUSTIANO VETO BALESTRERE, aka  
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Re Kansas City let to Milwaukee 7/31/61.

No additional information of significance has been obtained regarding possible activities or visits to Kansas City by subject. Of possible interest to your office is the information furnished by [redacted] who advised that [redacted], Kansas City, Missouri had informed him that JOE GURERA has his home in Kansas City listed for sale and plans to leave Kansas City. [redacted] advised in connection with this information that while at the recent wake for one GUSSIE GARGOTTA, [redacted] and [redacted] stated that BALESTRERE had been in Kansas City about June, 1961.

[redacted] advised that GURERA is known to have made several trips to Milwaukee in the past few months and it is entirely possible that GURERA may be planning to move to Milwaukee.

You have been previously furnished information as to the identity of JOE GURERA and further efforts will be made through these informants to learn of any additional visits by BALESTRERE to Kansas City or by GURERA to Milwaukee. Extreme care should be exercised in disseminating this information in order that the identity of these sources is not disclosed.

It would be appreciated if you would advise the Kansas City Office in the event that informants or other sources in your office receive information regarding visits made by JOE GURERA to your area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: SAC (92-109)

FROM: SA DON W. WALTERS

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

Date: 10/3/61

Unsolved murders in Kansas City, Missouri  
attributed to organization:

12/2/40 - JAMES MAROON, burglar and hold-up man. Murdered in alley rear 545 Troost. Allegedly because he double crossed NICHOLAS CIVELLA and JOSEPH "BUGGIE" ANCH after the robbery of the Goetz Brewery in Kansas City, Missouri, 7/7/39.

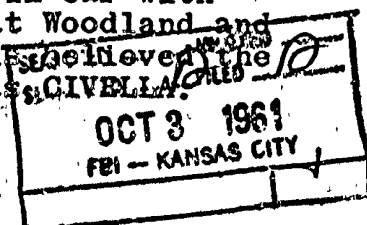
6/12/41 - PETE LOCASCIO, owner Brown Jug Tavern, Kansas City, Missouri. Found in living quarters behind tavern shot five times through head. Ran gambling game in rear of tavern and reportedly owed gambling debts.

1/5/44 - BENJAMIN PORTMAN, notorious racketeer (murder, arson, robbery). Associated two gambling games at time of murder and just released after hung jury over robbery Krauss Jewelry Company. Found in parked car in Kansas City, Kansas three bullet holes in head.

1/22/46 - JOSEPH "BUGGIE" ANCH, notorious underworld character (robbery, burglary, etc). Alleged to be engaged with NICHOLAS CIVELLA in holding up gambling game in Kansas City, Missouri and killed for that reason. Found beneath viaduct in east bottoms shot in back of head several times.

1/30/46 - LOUIS CUCCIA, Deputy Sheriff, Jackson County. Shot while seated in car with NICHOLAS CIVELLA at Woodland and Truman Road. It is believed the intended victim was CIVELLA.

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4/20/46 - THOMAS LEE KELLY, close associate of NICHOLAS CIVELLA, "BUGGIE" ANCH and GUS NICHOLS. Was reportedly killed over division of loot, burglary Green Jewelry Company (March, 1946). Found on Cliff Drive, foot of Brooklyn Avenue, shot in head.

4/25/46 - GUS JAMES NICHOLS, notorious underworld character (murder, robbery, etc.). Reportedly slain for same reason as KELLY. Found 14th Street and Blue Ridge, shot in head.

1/10/47 - FRED W. RENEGAR, operator of gambling place on Missouri-Kansas line subsequently taken over by CHARLES BINAGGIO and his associates. Reportedly killed because he refused to cut in the Italians. Found shot to death in his car, 805 West 29th Street.

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7/11/47 - MARY BONOMO, long record of burglary, larceny, etc. Reputation in the underworld of being a stool pegeon. Shot twice with 12 gauge shotgun while seated in front of fruit stand at 9th and Brooklyn.

10/6/47 - JOHN MUTOLO, small time gambler. Had been gambling with some known police characters including [redacted]

[redacted] Was shot in back with shotgun from outside building Eleventh Ward Democratic Club, 608 Brooklyn.

4/14/48 - MIKE J. LICAUSI, operator of a gambling game, Independent Democratic Club, 1017 Truman Road. Allegedly killed because of this operation. Shot twice with double barrel shotgun left at scene of crime, Troost and Truman Road.

2/2/49 - LE ROY DEAN CRIST, participated in robbery and murder of NICK PATITO who operated liquor store. Along with three others was charged with the crime which he admitted. His conviction was reversed and he was released. Found shot five times in head at 1101 Guinotte.

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3/24/49 - WOLF C. RIMANN, owned and operated Western Specialty Company (coin machines). Was also large tavern owner and at time of death was to take over distributorship for Schenley Liquor Products in Kansas City, Missouri (previously controlled by Italian element). Shot and killed as he entered his car, 14th and Chestnut in broad daylight.

4/6/50 - CHARLES BINAGGIO, leader of the Italian organization. Shot and killed at First District Democratic Club, 716 Truman Road.

4/6/50 - CHARLES GARGOTTA, very close associate of BINAGGIO and reportedly his bodyguard. Killed with BINAGGIO.

12/26/50 - ANTHONY JOSEPH CICERELLO, minor hoodlum figure from Milwaukee. Reportedly was associated with "ROCKY" LUPINO in passing counterfeit money. No motive for murder. Found shot in head on bank of Missouri River near Kansas City Power and Light Company.

United States Government

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC [redacted]

Date: 10/11/61

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT : [redacted]

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CI via phone 3:00 p.m., 10/6/61, reported the following:

At 2:00 p.m. this date [redacted] past the [redacted] where [redacted] invited the [redacted] and [redacted] in the back room. [redacted] made the comment that [redacted] who lives in the northeast section of KCMO in the [redacted] around the corner from a labor office, is now in Las Vegas, Nevada working at the [redacted] He is working with a former Kansas City man who was sent there by "the boys". According to CI, [redacted] is the son of the woman who owns the building next to [redacted] He is a close friend of CARL CIVELLA and formerly was associated with [redacted]

CI advised that [redacted] on 10/5/61 made the comment that the government has four indictments against him. CI also reported that the brother-in-law of [redacted] (husband of [redacted] sister who [redacted] is the one that is having trouble with [redacted]

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CI advised that according to [redacted] CARL CIVELLA, [redacted] are gambling in room 601 at the Kansas Citian Hotel. [redacted] in which the Follies is located also gambles with them.

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - 92-109
- 1 - 92-114 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-115 (Carl Civella)
- 1 - 92-124 (Felix Ferina)
- 1 - 92-243 (Carl De Luna)
- 1 - 92-244 (Willie Cammisano)
- 1 - 92-254 [redacted]

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- 1 - 92-255 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-290 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-326 (Joe Gurera)
- 1 - 92-466 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-602 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-618 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-723 [redacted]
- 1 - 92-808 [redacted]
- 1 - [redacted]

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CI telephonically advised as follows on 10/7/61  
at 2:30 p.m.

JOE GURERA, CARL DE LUNA and FELIX FERINA were  
observed this date in front of Michaels Tavern on East 9th  
Street. FERINA and DE LUNA drove up in FERINA's car and met  
GURERA, [redacted]  
Michaels tavern. After they left. [redacted]

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[redacted] CI took this to mean they were in poor financial  
circumstances and were together planning some activity.

CI advised that some months ago [redacted]  
from the KCMO PD officer he knows only as [redacted] who works  
[redacted]

[redacted] He added that [redacted] went to some Italian who operates a  
liquor concern at about 19th & Main to try to collect his money  
and [redacted] had informed him that this individual was  
[redacted] CI did not know the name of this  
individual.

CI advised that a small built Italian whose wife  
works at Lucien's Restaurant is reportedly a good safe man.  
He does not know the name of this man or woman.

CI furnished the following information on contact  
in CI's car at 34th & Karnes at 7:30 p.m., 10/9/61:

The car of [redacted] was observed at 6:30 p.m.  
at the Pompeii Room on Main Street.

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WILLIE CAMMISANO. at about 2:30 p.m., came to the  
[redacted]  
They went to the County Court House where [redacted] was to  
appear in court. His case was continued. [redacted] made the  
comment to CI that he did not intend to continue working at the  
[redacted]. CAMMISANO inquired of [redacted] if he had seen  
FELIX FERINA. CAMMISANO denied he had seen FERINA and during  
their conversation commented that he was "out" of the Taco house.

SAC, Kansas City [redacted]

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SA DON W. WALTERS

[redacted]

CI

Date of contact: 10/9/61

Place contacted: [redacted]

CI and [redacted] advised that information had been received from [redacted] that since [redacted] members of the Jackson County Grand Jury and other police and city officials in connection with [redacted] his wife has been subjected to severe criticism by her neighbors who have referred to her husband's association with the Italian criminal element in Kansas City. His wife is so embarrassed by this situation that she refuses to leave their residence.

[redacted] further advised that JOSEPH GURERA is presently trying to sell his new residence in Kansas City and has indicated that he would like to leave this area. She stated that GURERA presently owns a large laundromat at Leavenworth, Kansas.

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1 - 92-109  
1 - 92-326 (JOSEPH GURERA)  
1 - [redacted]  
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M E M O R A N D U M

TO : SAC, ~~Kansas City~~ (92-109)  
FROM : SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF  
SUBJECT: CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

DATE: October 23, 1961

Re Kansas City letter to the Bureau dated 9/22/61, and  
SAC Letter 61-50.

The above referenced letter to the Bureau indicated that intelligence type reports would be submitted, and this memorandum is furnished for guidance in the preparation of these reports. A thorough file review should be made in those instances where no prior reports have been submitted and all pertinent information incorporated in the report. If, as a result of the preparation of the report, it is felt that leads should be set forth, these should then be set out in the report. It is also to be noted that the Internal Revenue Service has been conducting investigation on a number of prominent individuals in the Kansas City area, and in those cases where a memorandum is noted in a substantive case file to the effect that such investigation is being conducted, the Agent preparing the report should contact Internal Revenue Supervisor [redacted] and secure current information as to the status of their investigation as well as other pertinent information developed.

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Inasmuch as this is an intelligence type report "T" symbols will be used when necessary, and proper paraphrasing should be done to protect the identity and nature of the source. For instance, if a telephone conversation is quoted, it should be paraphrased to conceal the nature of the conversation. Also, when information is obtained from Grand Jury testimony, this should also be handled in a similar manner.

If a prior intelligence type report has been prepared on the individual, and information is attributed under a "T" symbol to a source previously utilized with a "T" symbol, it will be necessary to use the "T" symbol previously used. This

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should be done even though there will be no continuity in the use of same. For instance, if a source has been utilized as KC T-18 in a prior report and only six "T" symbols are used in the current report, the "T" symbol T-18 should be utilized.

The period reflected on the FD-263 should be the period information was actually received and this will be explained in the Administrative section.

A table of contents should be prepared, and in relation to the characterization of informants, SA LUECKENHOFF should be contacted so that all informants utilized will have a similar characterization.

The report, which is to be prepared in a form suitable for dissemination, should follow, but not be limited to, the following outline:

#### PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

This should include date and place of birth, education, current address, automobile license, marital status, etc.

#### ASSOCIATES

These should be limited to close associates and not be expanded as it was in the NICHOLAS CIVELLA report.

#### BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

This should include present business associations, as well as any known past associations.

#### ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

Each phase of illegal activity should be described in succinct form and breakdowns be made insofar as prostitution, narcotics, labor racketeering, gambling, etc., police and political ties, pending prosecutive action, banking connections, identification record, citizenship, only if there is a question of being foreign-born, and description.



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TITLE OF CASE  [ ] aka (list all aliases)		Report made by <b>Agents name</b>	Typed By: b6 b7C
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**Synopsis:**

**REFERENCE:**

SAC letter 61-50.

Kansas City letter to Bureau 9/22/61.

Status either C or P

Leads: (if leads set forth)

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

The period of this report extends from to and is due to fact this report contains information from the files of the Kansas City/ and no previous intelligence type report has been submitted. Office

(PLACE ALL INFO WHICH CANNOT BE INCORPORATED INTO THE BODY OF REPORT IN THIS SECTION)

Approved	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below			
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## INFORMANTS

Careful consideration has been given to the use of "T" symbols in this report, and they are only used when deemed necessary.

(FOLLOWING IS EXAMPLE OF MOST COMMONLY USED SYMBOLS)

KC T-1 is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] who requested his identity be kept confidential.  
Information was furnished to SA [REDACTED].

KC T-2 is information obtained from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] through [REDACTED]  
which information was furnished to SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF.

KC T-3 is [REDACTED] whose identity is known to Bureau and who  
furnished information to SA DON W. WALTERS.

KC T-4 is PCI [REDACTED] who furnished information to  
SA DON W. WALTERS.

KC T-5 is Mr. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] This information can be obtained by issuance of subpoena  
duces tecum issued to Mr. [REDACTED]

KC T-6 is [REDACTED] Kansas  
City, Missouri, whose information was furnished to SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Copy to: Departmental Attorney  Kansas City.

Report of: AGENTS NAME  
Date:

Office: KANSAS CITY

File Number:

Title:

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: FOLLOW OUTLINE OF REPORT.

STATUS

The purpose of this report is to summarize information concerning subject and as to format and content, the Table of Contents reflects the order and substance of subject matter.

(FOLLOW WITH TABLE OF CONTENTS)

(FOLLOW SUGGESTED HEADINGS AS REFLECTED IN MEMO)

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## CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

The following is the evaluation of "T" symbols reflected in the report of SA [redacted], dated [redacted] at Kansas City in case entitled " [redacted]:ANTI-RACKETEERING".

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(FOR CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS SEE SA LUECKENHOFF FOR CHARACTERIZATION OF THOSE NOT REFLECTED SO THAT UNIFORMITY WILL BE KEPT BETWEEN VARIOUS REPORTS)

KC T-1 is information obtained from source at [redacted] which will be available on issuance of subpoena. (FOR INFO [redacted])

KC T-2 is information obtained from investigation conducted by another Governmental Agency and made available by a representative of the United States Department of Justice. [redacted]

KC T-3 is an individual who has furnished reliable information in the past but has indicated an unwillingness to testify before a Federal Grand Jury. [redacted]

KC T-4 is an individual acquainted with persons associated with reputed criminals in Kansas City and who has furnished reliable information in the past. This person has indicated an unwillingness to appear before a Federal Grand Jury.

KC T-5 is a person who has knowledge concerning business and financial transactions of [redacted] and who would furnish information upon issuance of a subpoena.

KC T-6 is an agent of another Governmental investigative agency.

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**ANTI-RACKETEERING**

The following is the evaluation of "T" symbols  
reflected in the report of SPECIAL AGENT  
dated at Kansas City:

KC T-1, T-3, T-4, T-5 have furnished reliable information in  
the past.

KC T (THIS USED IF PERSON HAS NOT FURNISHED KNOWN RELIABLE INFO)  
has furnished insufficient information to judge reliability.

KC T-2, T-6 is information obtained from other Government  
Agencies.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Kansas City (92-326)

DATE: October 19, 1961

FROM : SA DON W. WALTERS and  
SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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During an interview on October 17, 1961, at the

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been received from a neighbor of JOE GURERA that two real estate men had been to view the home of GURERA, apparently in connection with its sale. Neighbors are not aware that this property is for sale. No additional information has been received as to where GURERA intends to move following the sale of his home.

CI stated that some [REDACTED] GURERA

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] a produce truck sell produce from the truck parked in front of the GURERA residence.

CI has received no additional information indicating that BUSTER BALESTRERE has visited Kansas City recently.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC (92-109)

Date: 11/3/61

FROM ~~/H~~: SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

SUBJECT : CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

Re Kansas City letter to Bureau 9/22/61.

SAC Letter 61-50 requested that reports be submitted on individuals whose files this memorandum is directed to within 45 days after receipt of SAC Letter, which was September 18, 1961. However, in view of special assignment entitled [redacted] ET AL, LMRA - IM which occurred during October 1961, an airtel was directed to the Bureau on 11/2/61 to the effect that all reports will be submitted by November 22, 1961.

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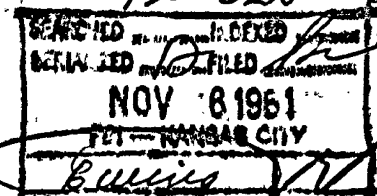
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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, [REDACTED] -P-

DATE: 11/3/61

FROM : SAS [REDACTED]  
DON W. WALTERS

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CI advised on October 25, 1961 at CI's

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] JOHN MANGIARACINA also made other comments of interest regarding the FBI. He reportedly stated in referring to the interest of the "Clique" members in the

[REDACTED]  
be observed. MANGIARACINA reportedly remarked that the

[REDACTED]  
CI reported that according to recent report JOE GURERA does have his home up for sale but does not intend to leave Kansas City when the house is sold.

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111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)  
112 [REDACTED]  
114 [REDACTED]  
115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)  
160 (FRANK BALISTIERI)  
262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)  
272 (JOE LASCUOLA)  
273 [REDACTED]  
- 326 (JOE GURERA)  
337 (NICK EVOLA)  
696 (BUSTER BALESTRERE)  
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CI also through relatives received the information that the wedding and reception of [redacted] and [redacted] were attended by every high ranking Italian of any importance. Some specifically mentioned were [redacted] and [redacted]

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[redacted] JOHN MANGIARACINA did not attend. [redacted]

[redacted] The wedding occurred at the Holy Rosary Church and the reception at the Park East Hotel. The bride is the daughter of [redacted] and the groom the son of [redacted] CI reported it is possible that BUSTER BALESTERE attended but his name was not mentioned.

CI attended a wake for [redacted]

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[redacted] the [redacted] CI advised that there were a few prominent Italians there when CI was there during the early part of the evening, but according to reports everyone in the North End of any importance did pay their respects. [redacted]

[redacted] and wife were there as well as [redacted] who is married to [redacted] oldest daughter [redacted] CI reported that there has been considerable friction in this family for some time as the [redacted] family have always felt that [redacted] should have taken [redacted] as he did [redacted] who is married to the younger daughter.

[redacted] and it has been necessary for [redacted]

[redacted] and his wife. CI reported that most of the acquaintances have felt sorry for [redacted] because of the poor financial circumstances of her family and everyone was very much surprised when [redacted] appeared at the [redacted] wedding [redacted]

CI stated that it has been the general opinion among this element, that the expensive furs stolen from a store on the Plaza some eighteen or more months ago, would show up in the near future being worn by the wives of many of the top hoodlum figures. In view of the numerous new furs being worn by the women attending this wedding, including the one worn by [redacted] the feeling was expressed by several acquaintances that these stolen furs are now coming out into the open. In further identifying [redacted] CI

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised that he also has a brother [redacted] and that a sister [redacted] is the wife of [redacted]

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CI reported that it has been mentioned that [redacted] and possibly others are now on a hunting trip in some of the northern states. CI stated it is doubtful if [redacted] actually went as his wife is reported to be in the hospital. CI also heard the report that the Internal Revenue Service has opened an old income tax investigation on [redacted]

CI advised that it was somewhat of a surprise to learn that [redacted]

[redacted] which burned the night of October 23, 1961. CI explained that a month or two ago CI started to go into this restaurant but on observing that it was nothing more than a "dirty spoon joint" CI went elsewhere. At that time CI noted that there was very little equipment in the place and now in view of the identity of those involved in its operation it is CI's opinion that the place was opened with the intent of burning it for insurance. It is noted that the building was [redacted]

[redacted] and was [redacted]

CI commented in connection with recent reports that [redacted] is getting out of the [redacted] that he reportedly will deal more in insurance.

CI advised that [redacted]  
JOHN MANGIARACINA on October 24, 1961, made the comment that there is considerable dissension among the Italian Hoodlums against NICHOLAS CIVELLA. He commented that when CHARLES BINAGGIO was "in power" he would not show favoritism to his relatives and when someone got into trouble BINAGGIO spent the necessary money to get them out of trouble without asking that he be repaid. [redacted] complained that NICHOLAS CIVELLA has taken in all of his relatives on the money making deals and if any money is put out to aid someone in trouble this person is advised of the amount he is expected to pay.

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DON W. WALTERS

[REDACTED] CI, at informant's residence in the presence of [REDACTED] furnished the following information on the night of 10/30/61:

BUSTER BALESTRENE of Milwaukee has been in Kansas City since 10/21/61, when he attended the [REDACTED] wedding. He has been seen on several occasions with [REDACTED] who is known to be very close to JOE GUERRA, a brother-in-law of BALESTRENE. CI advised that although no information has been furnished as to where BALESTRENE is staying, it is believed he would stay with his mother who reportedly lives in the North End. CI advised that BUSTER BALESTRENE is known in the Italian underworld as a "Little Joe", which is an old Mafia term meaning a "killer". Also he has been considered a "Little Joe" as far back as the days of CHARLES BINAGGIO when [REDACTED] was first considered a "Little Joe" for the Italian criminal element. CI added that there has been some feeling that BUSTER BALESTRENE was one of those involved in the Kansas City gangland killing of CHARLES BINAGGIO in April 1960.

CI advised that information had been received from a very reliable source, which informants did not want to disclose at this time, that "The Clique" has a financial interest in many more legitimate businesses than even those close to this element know about. CI stated this source indicated that they have an interest in a number of wholesale houses on Broadway in downtown Kansas City, Mo. One of the wholesale houses specifically mentioned was the Kesco Sales, Inc., 815 Central, which is reportedly owned by the C & O Distributing Co., Inc., 806 Broadway. MAX JABEN's name was

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1-KC [REDACTED]

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1-KC 92-111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)

1-KC 92-114 [REDACTED]

1-KC 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)

1-KC 92-116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)

1-KC 92-117 (ALEX PRESTA)

1-KC 92-258 [REDACTED]

1-KC 92-326 (JOE GUERRA)

1-KC 92-696 (BUSTER BALESTRENE)

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mentioned as having an interest in the Kesco concern. This same source reported that NICHOLAS CIVELLA reportedly had an interest in the Villa Lounge, which burned a few weeks ago and was thought to have been burned for the insurance.

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It should be noted that [redacted] previously reported that [redacted] the Villa were very close friends of CARL DELUNA and that "The Clique" reportedly had loaned them approximately \$6,000. Further, they were pressed to pay this loan and were forced to mortgage their house. It is known that the Kansas City, Mo. Police Department found plastic-lined boxes and evidence of arson in connection with this fire.

CI reported it is understood that NICHOLAS CIVELLA expects to receive as much as a one year sentence in the state case against him on an income tax matter. CI stated that [redacted] that he did not care if he, [redacted] had to do as much as two years as he had "made all the money he would ever need."

JOHN MANGIARACINA reportedly advised CI that a man in a state office who was a very close friend of CHARLES BINAGGIO had been contacted by him for assistance in the state income tax matters. MANGIARACINA claimed to have been "sent" to this man to seek some help. He claimed that this man made the comment, "For you JOHNNY, I would do anything but if your mother or brother came to me I couldn't do anything for CARL, NICK or the others." CI stated this comment referred to NICHOLAS and CARL CIVELLA and their close "Clique" associates.

CI advised that ALEX PRESTA is also reported to be away from Kansas City on a hunting trip. [redacted] is reported to be on vacation in Florida.

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According to CI, [redacted] aka. [redacted] or [redacted] the brother of [redacted], who [redacted] with the B & G Amusements, has sold all of his [redacted] and gone out of business because of his having to pay back fees and taxes not previously collected on [redacted]

[redacted]

CI, in discussing the status of members of the Kansas City, Mo. Police Department, remarked that some three or four years ago on a New Year's Eve, [redacted]

[redacted] and a Captain who drove a new red Cadillac, spent considerable time [redacted] The Captain, who owned the red Cadillac, had previously sold a green Cadillac to [redacted]

CI advised that after [redacted] left the Kansas City, Mo. Police Department, [redacted] was observed on a number of occasions parked at the residence of [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: SAC (92-109)

FROM: SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

DATE: 11/29/61

In relation to the summary reports which are to be completed in the files which are reflected below, on 11/21/61 an airtel was sent to the Bureau pointing out that virtually all reports to be submitted are in transcription or have been completed and forwarded to the Bureau. However, due to the tremendous work load this has placed upon the stenographic pool in this office and possible disruption of other work of an expedite nature, all reports will not be completed by 11/22/61. Reports that are presently in transcription will be completed in the normal course of business in the stenographic pool and forwarded to the Bureau upon their completion.

It was likewise pointed out that in two instances reports had not yet been placed in transcription due to emergency annual leave and special assignment of Agents to other cases.

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SA [REDACTED]

SA DON W. WALTERS

[REDACTED] on 11-21-61, in the presence of [REDACTED] residence furnished the following information to Agents:

CI has learned through a relative that [REDACTED] has sold his home, but does not know whether he still is living in Kansas City or intends to move to St. Louis. CI has also learned that JOE GURERA has taken his house off the market and no further information has been received as to whether he still intends to sell this house or remain in Kansas City.

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CI has received no additional information regarding BUSTER BALESTRERE and it is not known whether he is in Kansas City at the present time. CI previously furnished the information that BALESTRERE reportedly would buy Peppino's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria at 5048 Main and would change the name of this restaurant by merely ending the name Peppino in an "a". According to CI, this restaurant was formerly [REDACTED]

CI also furnished information regarding [REDACTED] KC file 92-642, which information is set forth in that file in a letter to Phoenix Office.

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1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-340 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
1 - 92-606 (BUSTER BALESTRERE)  
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REPORTING OFFICE <b>KANSAS CITY</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>KANSAS CITY</b>	DATE <b>12/15/61</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>7/10/59 - 12/13/61</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka Joe G. Gurera, Joseph Frank Gurara</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>LEO V. EWING</b>	TYPED BY <b>jc</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

## REFERENCE:

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Kansas City letters to Bureau 9/22/61 and 11/29/61.

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INFORMANTS:

- KC T-1 is [redacted]  
Kansas Department of Internal Revenue,  
State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas,  
who requested that his identity be kept  
confidential.
- KC T-2 is [redacted]  
Missouri State Income Tax Division,  
Jefferson City, Missouri, who requested  
that his identity be kept confidential.
- KC T-3 is PCI [redacted] who  
has furnished reliable information in the  
past, and requested that his identity be  
maintained in a confidential manner.
- KC T-4 is [redacted] who is well acquainted with  
[redacted]  
[redacted] and whose identity is known  
to the Bureau.
- KC T-5 is [redacted] whose identity is known to  
the Bureau.
- KC T-6 is PCI [redacted], who has furnished  
reliable information in the past.
- KC T-7 is [redacted] whose identity is known to  
the Bureau.
- KC T-8 is Dun and Bradstreet, Kansas City, Missouri,  
who has requested that their identity be  
kept confidential.
- KC T-9 is PCI [redacted] who has  
furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONCopy to: 1 - Departmental Attorney  
[redacted]Report of: SA LEO V. SWING  
Date: 12/15/61

Office: Kansas City

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Bureau File No.:

Title: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, born 7/5/25, Kansas City, Missouri and has resided KC entire life; resides 3021 Delmar Street, Overland Park, Kansas. From 1951 to 1959 was co-owner Midway Faving Company, KCMO. GURERA known to associate with criminal element in KC, including NICHOLAS and CARL CIVELLA, [redacted], JOHN MANGIACACINA, [redacted]. GURERA indicted for arson, Jackson County Grand Jury, KCMO, 9/5/60, indictment dismissed 3/4/60 at request of prosecutor. Subject attempted to obtain one-third interest in two taverns in KC in May 1960 without capital investment. Subject, with JOHN MANGIACACINA, alleged to be taking baseball bets and making book during 1960. Identification record and description set forth.

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DETAILS: The purpose of this report is to summarize information concerning subject and as to format, the Table of Contents reflects the order and substance of subject matter.

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A. PATRIAL HISTORY AND FACTS

Investigation conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on February 27, 1981 revealed that JOSEPH FRANK GULLIA, also known as JOE J. GULLIA, was born on July 3, 1925 at Kansas City, Missouri. His father was CARL GULLIA, age 25 at the time of JOSEPH GULLIA's birth, who was employed as a huckster. His mother, ELIZABETH LANGIACINO, was born in Louisiana and was sixteen years of age when JOSEPH GULLIA was born. JOSEPH GULLIA has resided in Kansas City, Missouri or the immediate proximity his entire life. From 1961 to 1980 he was co-owner of the Midway Saving Company, Kansas City, Missouri and reportedly earned in excess of \$10,000 a year. He presently resides 9081 Delmar Street, Overland Park, Kansas. He has formerly resided at 2018 East 8th Street, 911 East 24th Street and 337 Forest, all Kansas City, Missouri. Prior to 1939, he was part owner of Mag's Recreation Parlor in Kansas City, Missouri. GULLIA's present residence at 9081 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas was purchased by him in 1980 for an amount estimated at approximately \$40,000.

KC T-1 advised Special Agent [redacted] on July 31, 1980 that JOSEPH G. GULLIA and [redacted] 9081 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas, filed a 1968-1969 Kansas State Income Tax return. This return indicated that no 1967 income tax return was filed inasmuch as the returnee had not lived in the State of Kansas in 1966 or 1967. [redacted] and [redacted] were listed as dependents, however the degree of relationship was not indicated. GULLIA listed himself as self-employed as a partner with the Midway Saving Company, Kansas City, Missouri, and his wife [redacted] as a housewife. Total income reported was \$1,119.72 from the Midway Saving Company partnership. This return had been prepared by [redacted] Public Accountant, [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri.

KC T-2 advised Special Agent [redacted] on July 30, 1980 that JOE GULLIA, 2518 East 18th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, filed two returns for the year 1967. One return reflected income in connection with the Midway Saving Company and the other return was a personal return indicating a small income. There was nothing unusual in either return, however GULLIA indicated an interest as a partner in Labo's and

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Joe's Solicitation, no Kansas City address given.

KC T-3 advised Special Agent [redacted] on August 11, 1959 that JOE GULLIA is a paving contractor and operates a number of dump trucks in Kansas City, Missouri. According to KC T-3, GULLIA has made money in this operation, however he is not known to be engaged in any criminal activities at the present time. KC T-3 stated that GULLIA has been an associate in the past of the criminal element in Kansas City, Missouri and frequented the Jungle Club in Kansas City, where he was believed to be acquainted with CARL CIVILLA and [redacted]  
[redacted]

### D. ASSOCIATION

KC T-4 advised Special Agent [redacted] on August 13, 1959 that JOE GULLIA had been observed at Michael's Tavern, Kansas City, Missouri with [redacted] and a [redacted] who is connected with the office of [redacted] in Kansas City. KC T-4 also advised that JOE GULLIA had been observed associating with [redacted] in a parking lot located next to the Jungle Club, Kansas City. He was also advised by KC T-4 that JOE GULLIA and [redacted] were at the JOHN MARGIA MACIA residence prior to the wedding of MARGIA MACIA's daughter and that the automobile of [redacted] was the first car in the procession to the Holy Trinity Church.

KC T-4 advised Special Agent [redacted] on July 28, 1959 that he had observed JOE GULLIA at Michael's Tavern with [redacted]

KC T-5 advised Special Agent WISALL P. GUTHRIE on November 24, 1959 that approximately 200 persons attended a bachelor dinner honoring [redacted] the soon to be son-in-law of [redacted]. KC T-5 advised that the dinner was sponsored by [redacted] Dr. [redacted] a Kansas City hoodlum; [redacted] Teamsters and Chauffeur's Union; and [redacted] the Missouri Photo Engraving, Inc. It was held at the Pickwick Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri. Among those present at the dinner were [redacted] 50 and also Local 21, Teamsters and Chauffeur's Union; [redacted]

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[redacted] Local 511, Teamsters and Chauffeurs's Union. Among the known Kansas City hoodlums who were present were JOSEPH CUSERA, NICHOLAS CIVILLA, CARL CIVILLA, [redacted]

[redacted] and JOSEPH CUSERA.

KC 5-4 advised Special Agent [redacted] on December 14, 1959 that an automobile bearing Johnson County, Kansas license number 17444 listed to JOSEPH CIVILLA was observed among many other automobiles in attendance at a party given by NICHOLAS CIVILLA at Mirror Lake.

KC 5-4 also advised Special Agent [redacted] on December 29, 1959 that he observed JOE CIVILLA at the Pompidoo Room, a Kansas City night club, in the company of [redacted] CARL CIVILLA, JOE CAROLLA, [redacted] FELIX CIVILLA and CARL CIVILLA. CIVILLA appeared to be in conversation for a considerable length of time with [redacted]

KC 5-4 also advised Special Agent [redacted] that he observed JOSEPH CIVILLA on February 20, 1960 in the company of CARL CIVILLA, [redacted] JOSEPH CIVILLA, JOE CAROLLA and [redacted]

KC 5-4 advised Special Agent [redacted] on April 13, 1960 that he observed [redacted] with NICHOLAS CIVILLA at the Pizzeria Restaurant. He also observed [redacted] CARL CIVILLA, ANTHONY CIVILLA, [redacted] JOE CAROLLA and JOE CIVILLA.

KC 5-4 advised Special Agent [redacted] on May 12, 1960 that JOE CIVILLA and [redacted] were very close friends and that it appeared CIVILLA may be again becoming the "muscleman" for the "Clique" and that he is extremely mean.

KC 5-4 advised Special Agent [redacted] on June 7, 1960 that [redacted] the Teamsters Union, was very close to JOE CIVILLA and that JOE CIVILLA was very friendly and stood in good with the Teamsters Local 511. KC 5-4 further advised that [redacted] of the Teamsters Union, JOE CIVILLA and JOE CAROLLA, were very close friends and were frequently seen together at the Magestic Restaurant in Kansas City.

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JOSEPH FRANK GURIA was interviewed on February 27, 1961 by Special Agent [REDACTED]. GURIA admitted acquaintanceship with many prominent Kansas City, Missouri Italians, including MICHAEL CIVILLA and CARL DE LUNA and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

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GURIA denied having any idea as to the business interests or other activities of MICHAEL CIVILLA but stated that it was his understanding that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Jungle Club in downtown Kansas City. He said he has no connections with any of the 'North Side' Italians and while it has been rumored that he owns an interest in the 'Club Michael's' in Kansas City, he had never actually had an interest in this club. He stated that he was acquainted with many Italians in Kansas City but he would never furnish any information relative to these individuals and their activities. GURIA admitted knowing CARL DE LUNA and FELIX FALIA but stated that he seen them only on rare occasions. GURIA commented that he did not believe that there was any organized Italian element in Kansas City and that he has never heard of anyone whom he would consider to be the leader of such an organized group.

KS T-6 advised Special Agent [REDACTED] on July 24, 1961 that many of the Italian element bowl at the Sheffield Bowl, Kansas City, Missouri on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Some of the bowlers, according to KS T-6, were [REDACTED] and JOSEPH GURIA. KS T-6 stated that one or more of these individuals have made telephone calls from the Sheffield Bowl to Las Vegas, Nevada.

KS T-7 advised Special Agent [REDACTED] on October 7, 1961 that JOE GURIA, CARL DE LUNA and FELIX FALIA were observed in front of 'Michael's Tavern' on East 9th Street. FALIA and DE LUNA drove up in FALIA's car and saw GURIA who was talking to [REDACTED]. After they departed, KS T-7 [REDACTED]

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C. BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

KC T-8 advised Special Agent [redacted] on July 10, 1959 that the Club Michael, also known as the Tower, 1718 East 9th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, [redacted] This business was started in 1951 and was formerly a [redacted]

KC T-8 advised that JOSEPH GURERA apparently had no financial interest in this tavern. KC T-8 further advised that the Midway Paving Contractors was started in 1951 as a [redacted] of JOSEPH FRANK GURERA and [redacted]. In May 1954, [redacted] and GURERA continued as [redacted] owner. His wife [redacted] is the bookkeeper. The business operates in the Greater Kansas City Area as a contracting business paving roads, parking lots and driveways, doing concrete and asphalt work and doing incidental excavations relative to the above type of contracting. The business operates from GURERA's home, formerly 2818 East 8th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, and since October 1953 at 9041 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas.

KC T-8 stated that the business is steadily growing and successful. GURERA was described by KC T-8 as being well experienced and well regarded in this type of work. The most recent estimate placed the net worth of the business at approximately \$100,000.00 and the previous year's sales at \$130,000.00 with profits in the low five figures. The number of employees vary but according to KC T-8 was previously placed at fifteen.

KC T-8 further advised Special Agent [redacted] on July 10, 1959 that from 1944 to 1948 GURERA was a partner operating the Hotel Main at 1420 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri. From 1949 to 1950 he operated a trucking business in Kansas City and for nine months in 1950 to 1951 operated a service station in Kansas City with moderate success. On March 11, 1957, he entered [redacted] to operate Labo's and Joe's Delicatessen, 1211 Linwood, Kansas City. The business suffered a fire loss on September 1, 1957 and operations were discontinued.

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA was interviewed on February 27, 1961 by Special Agents [redacted]. GURERA stated that he has business interest in three self-service laundries, two in Kansas City, Missouri and one in Leavenworth, Kansas.



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D. ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

KC T-8 advised Special Agent [redacted] on July 10, 1959 that on September 5, 1958 an indictment was returned by the Jackson County Grand Jury, case #23306, charging JOSEPH FRANK GURIA with arson of insured property in connection with the explosion and fire at Labo's and Joe's Sellenhausen, 1211 Linwood, Kansas City, Missouri on September 1, 1957. The case was continued to November 19, 1958 and GURIA was released on \$5,000 bond. No further information was recorded as to the disposition of this case. Special Agent [redacted] was advised on February 27, 1961 that the indictment of GURIA was dismissed on March 1, 1959 on the request of the state prosecutor because one witness was deceased and the other seven witnesses could not be located to take depositions.

KC T-9 advised Special Agent [redacted] on May 12, 1960 that JOSEPH FRANK GURIA was attempting to receive a third share of the partnership of the Colony Club and a newly opened tavern, the Jewel Box, at 8222 Forest, Kansas City, Missouri. The Jewel Box is [redacted]

KC T-9 further related that on the evening of May 11, 1960, [redacted] was contacted at the Colony Club by GURIA, at which time GURIA told [redacted] he was going to move in for one-third of the profits of the business. GURIA explained to [redacted] there would be advantages to having him as a partner. The Colony Club and the Jewel Box would not be raided, no one else would interfere in the business and no competition would move into the neighborhood. GURIA explained that he wanted to talk to [redacted] and would like to become an active partner in the business on May 10, 1960. GURIA made no notion of putting any capital investment in the business and it was obvious to [redacted] that GURIA was just moving in as a partner in a "protection racket".

KC T-9 continued by advising that GURIA again contacted [redacted] on May 11, 1960 and [redacted] went to the [redacted]

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TO T-1 advised Special Agent [redacted] on May 15, 1960 that JOHN MANGIACACINA and JOSEPH GUZZA were making book on a small scale. TO T-1 advised that he did not know the headquarters for this operation.

TO T-1 advised Special Agent [redacted] on August 1, 1960 that MANGIACACINA and JOE GUZZA were one team of eight groups of players in Kansas City who were taking baseball bets.

# 1. IDENTIFICATION RECORD

Following is the identification record for JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, received from the Identification Division of the Bureau June 1, 1950, under FBI #4 059 366:

PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	3/17/44	inv check up	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	6/23/44	inv check up	6/24/44 rel by arr off on chg of inv
PD Kansas City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7/7/44	inv check up	7/8/44 rel at request of arresting officer
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7/17/44	inv burg	7/18/44 rel by arr off on chg of inv
PD Kans City Kans	Joe Frank Gurera #9831	7/8/44	vag & susp burg & L	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7/28/44	inv check up	7/29/44 rel by Pros no evidence on chg of inv
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	10/23/44	inv	10/23/44 rel by Chief of Det.
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	12/8/44	inv	12/11/44 rel by arresting officer
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	3/21/45	inv	3/21/45 rel by Vice
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	11/12/45	inv	11/15/45 rel by Homicide
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	3/16/46	inv	3/16/46 rel by arresting off.
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	4/25/46	inv susp murder	

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PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	1/19/47	inv molestation	1/19/47 rel by Hon.
PD, Kans. City	Joseph F. Gurera #46592	9/13/47	inv.	9/13/47 rel by Arr. Off.
City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	5/9/50	inv.	5/10/50 disch on chg of vag.
PD Kansas City Mo	Joe Frank Gurera #46592	5/10/50	Inv	
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	8/24/50		
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	8/28/50	inv	
PD Kansas City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	10/23/50	inv check recent act.	10/23/50, rel req of Arr. Off.
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	2/4/52	Inv check recent act.	2/5/52, rel. by Rob. Bur. for want of pros.
PD, Kansas City Mo.	Joe Frank Gurera #46592	2/17/52	inv. gambling	2/19/52, Disch Freq. & Gamb. \$15. Ypr. on chg of inv freq & Gamb.
PD Kans City Mo	Joe Frank Gurera #46592	6/5/52	Inv check on recent holdups	6/5/52 rel by GA Bur
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	2/14/54	inv check recent actv	2/24/54 disch on chg of inv gamb freq
PD Kans City Mo	Joseph Frank Gurera #46592	7/20/55	inv chk rec actv & burg & holdups	SEC #1 8/23/55 on chg of inv speed.

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F. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Following is the physical description of JOSEPH  
FRANK TULLIA:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	Italian
Date of birth	July 4, 1923
Place of birth	Kansas City, Missouri
Height	5' 9"
Weight	170 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Scars and marks	None
Complexion	Dark
Build	Medium
Occupation	Operator of coin-operated laundries
Parents	Mother, ELIZABETH OLIVER, residence, 100 Olive Street, Kansas City, Missouri Father, deceased
Marital status	Married, wife [redacted] nee [redacted]
Children	Four, eldest boy [redacted]
Military service	None
Education	Graduated from grade school
Criminal record	Advises has served no time and never convicted.
Automobile	1930 white Chevrolet Impala, does not know license number.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Following is the evaluation of T symbols reflected in the report of SA LEO V. LIVING dated December 13, 1961 at Kansas City in the case entitled JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, ANTI-SACKETTIERING.

KC T-1 is information obtained from an agent of a state investigative agency.

KC T-2 is an agent of a state investigative agency.

KC T-3 is an individual acquainted with persons associated with reputed criminals in Kansas City and who has furnished reliable information in the past. This person has indicated an unwillingness to appear before a federal grand jury.

KC T-4 is an individual who has furnished reliable information in the past but who has indicated an unwillingness to testify before a federal grand jury.

KC T-5 is an individual who has furnished reliable information in the past but who has indicated an unwillingness to testify before a federal grand jury.

KC T-6 is an individual acquainted with persons associated with reputed criminals in Kansas City and who has furnished reliable information in the past. This person has indicated an unwillingness to appear before a federal grand jury.

KC T-7 is an individual who has furnished reliable information in the past but who has indicated an unwillingness to testify before a federal grand jury.

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KC T-3 is a person who has knowledge concerning business and financial transactions of JOSEPH FRANK GUNATA and who would furnish information upon issuance of a subpoena.

KC T-9 is an individual acquainted with persons associated with reputed criminals in Kansas City and who has furnished reliable information in the past. This person has indicated an unwillingness to appear before a federal grand jury.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Kansas City, Missouri  
December 15, 1961

Title        **JOSEPH FRANK GUERRA**

Character    **ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Reference    **Report of Special Agent  
Leo V. Ewing dated and  
captioned as above.**

All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced  
communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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SA DON W. WATKINS

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OO: Kansas City

Contact Date: 12-20-61

Contact Place: [REDACTED]

CI advised as follows:

CI and [REDACTED] were at the restaurant of JOHN WANGIACINA on 12-20-61 and observed the following persons there:

[REDACTED] JOE CURERA and [REDACTED] and three or four other Italians whose names they did not know. CI opined that JOHN WANGIACINA appears to be gathering a group of loyal followers around him at this time so that if the opportunity arises, he will be in a position to take over leadership of the Italian organization.

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CI explained that prior to WANGIACINA's conviction and sentence to the U. S. Penitentiary, he was regarded as the logical person to become leader of the organization; however, after his release from custody, leadership had been taken over by NICHOLAS CIVILLA and since that time, WANGIACINA has had little authority. He has always indicated a desire to again become a powerful member of the group and with the present pressure being brought to bear on the organization by both local and federal authorities, WANGIACINA may feel that it is an opportune time to start marshaling his forces for such action.

[REDACTED]  
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TO : SAC

DATE: 2-6-62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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On the basis of previous information developed that GURERA is operating a self-service laundry at Leavenworth, Kansas, the records of the Credit Bureau of Leavenworth were checked and the following information was obtained:

Subject, as JOE F. GURERA, wife [REDACTED] and four dependent children, resides at 9021 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas, and is listed in the credit records as of September 1961 as self-employed at a laundromat at 701 Metropolitan, Leavenworth, Kansas. In a report dated 9-22-61 for the Leavenworth Mutual Building & Loan, it is reported subject was buying a residence at 2818 East 8th Street, KC MO. He had a listed income of \$10,000 per year. The First National Bank of Leavenworth reported in March 1959 a credit (appears to be a loan) of \$13,000 on which there was a balance of \$10,763 with a 2-months delinquency in payments. This was in the name of GURERA and [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY

DATE: 3/23/62

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-New)

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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On 2/21/62, [ ] Special Squad, Milwaukee P.D., advised that, on 2/15/62, members of his squad observed FRANK BALISTRIERI, BUSTER BALESTRERE, [ ] and JOE GURERA in conversation at the Holiday House, of which [ ] is one of [ ]. These detectives learned that GURERA is considering opening up an asphalt paving business in Milwaukee.

On 2/28/62, [ ] advised that his men had positively identified a photograph of JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, FBI # 4059366, as the person referred to above. GURERA is from Kansas City and is known to your office.

On 2/28/62, [ ] also advised that an informant had just learned that GURERA was looking for two houses in Milwaukee because he intended to move to this city and also to bring with him certain relatives. [ ] stated that he would attempt to follow the activities of GURERA through informants and investigation but he asked that background data be obtained which might assist in this matter.

## LEADS

### THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE

#### At Kansas City

1. Will check credit and criminal files to determine background of GURERA, such as the identities of members of his family, his previous employment, his description and arrest record.
2. Will check Dun and Bradstreet reports for record of any firms in which GURERA has been action in Kansas City area.
3. Will furnish any other background which may be obtained through informants.

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SA JOHN M. GATTIS, JR.

[redacted]  
Date of Contact: 4/1/68

Place of Contact: [redacted]

JOSEPH FRANK GULLERA

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[redacted] advised that GULLERA at one time apparently planned on leaving Kansas City because he put his home up for sale. Approximately a month ago he decided not to sell his home and it is no longer for sale. CI stated that GULLERA is presently residing in Kansas City and so far as they know intends to stay in Kansas City.

GIUSTIANO VITO BALISTARIE, aka

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OO: Milwaukee

[redacted] advised that GIUSTIANO BALISTARIE purchased Peppino's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria at 51st and Main, Kansas City, Missouri. He purchased the restaurant

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[redacted] GIUSTIANO BALISTARIE's [redacted] is [redacted] this restaurant at the present time. [redacted] advised GIUSTIANO purchased the restaurant [redacted] and so far as she knows has nothing to do with its operation. CI's stated GIUSTIANO still resides in Milwaukee and so far as they know does not intend to return to Kansas City to reside.

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PD pm

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[REDACTED], aka  
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[REDACTED] advised on Sunday, April 1, 1982, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Cleaners and Dyers Local, Kansas  
City, Missouri, visited [REDACTED] at his residence.  
According to CI, the reason for the meeting was to persuade  
[REDACTED] to support Judge JOHN KOPP, Judge of Jackson County  
Court, who is coming up for re-election. According to CI,  
KOPP has no visible backing at present and [REDACTED] and the  
Teamsters locals would aid greatly in KOPP's re-election.

According to CI, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 4/17/62

FROM : SA WILLIAM C. COMPTON

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA  
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On 4/2/62, Mrs. [REDACTED] Clerk, Records and Identification Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department advised that JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, has the following police record.

Arrest Date	File	Charge	Disposition
11/26/39	3-467	Attempted Burg.	1 Yr at McCune 11/29/39
8/2/42	3-26860	Vag.	Disch Pa #1 8/2/42
5/21/43	2A-3488	Gambling	\$5 #2 5/24/43
3/17/44	1B-3969	Invest.	Rel by Det. 3/17/44
6/23/44	1B-9243	Invest.	Rel by Arr Off. 6/24/44
7/7/44	1B-9977	Inv. Checkup	Rel by Det. Dept. 7/8/44
7/17/44	1B-10479	Inv. Burg.	Rel by Arr Off. 7/18/44
7/28/44	4C-2687	Inv. Checkup	Rel by Pros. 7/29/44
7/30/44	G-96093		
8/7/44	2B-5232	Hit and Run	\$100 #1 7/31/44
	3C-2244	Care. Driving	\$10 #2 8/8/44
	F-56309		
10/15/44	2B-7215	Gambling	\$1.00 #1 10/18/44
	E-35000		
10/23/44	1B-15596	Inv.	Rel by Ch of Det. 10/23/44
12/9/44	1B-17685	Inv.	Rel. by Arr Off. 12/11/44
3/21/45	1B-22029	Inv.	Rel by Vice 3/21/45
10/16/45	2B-17646	Disturb. Peace	\$10.00 #2 10/19/45
11/4/45	2B-18111	Gamb. & Freq.	\$5 Freq. Disch-Part #2 11/8/45
11/12/45	1B-35585	Inv.	Rel by Homicide 11/12/45
3/16/46	1B-42585	Inv.	Rel by Arr Off. 3/16/46
4/26/46	1B-45153	Inv. Susp. Murder	Rel by [REDACTED] 4/26/46
1/9/47	1-62479	Inv. Molestation	Rel Hom Bur. 1/19/47
4/6/47	1-67380	Speeding	\$10 & 1 day TS#2 4/12/47

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9/12/47	1-78694	Inv.	Rel by Arr Off. 9/12/47
> 9/20/47	2-38250	Gambling	\$2 #2 9/22/47
> 10/21/47	2-39130	Gambling	\$5 #1 10/27/47
1/15/48	2-41443	Traffic Warrant	Paid 1/22/48
> 2/21/48	2-43419	Freq.	\$5
		Gambling	Disch #2 2/25/48
> 4/24/50	4-23428	Make Left Turn	\$3.00
		No City Auto Lic	Disc-Failure to Display
5/9/50	1-152206	Inv. Vag.	#3 4/25/50
5/10/50	1-152349	Inv.	Disc #3 5/10/50
	J-59146	Fed Grand Jury Report	Rel by Robb. 5/11/50
> 5/19/50	9-43152	Speed	\$5 #2 5/24/50
8/24/50	1-159912	Inv.	Rel by Burg. 8/24/50
8/28/50	1-160382	Inv.	Rel by Burg. 8/29/50
10/23/50	2-74907	Inv. Check	Rel by Arr Off [ ]
2/4/52	K-16775	Recent Act	10/23/50
	1-198675	Inv. Check	Rel by [ ] for
2/17/52	1-199771	Gamb.	want of Pros. 2/5/52
		Freq.	Disch Gamb #3 2/19/52
> 4/17/52	2-92870	No State Dr. Lic.	Disch Freq \$15 KPR
6/5/52	1-209019	Inv. Check on	Not for Court
		Recent Holdups	Rel by [ ] 6/5/52
> 7/4/52	1-211574	Dist. Peace	60 days #1 7/5/52
> 8/1/53	1-242572	Dist. Peace	90 days #1 8/2/53
> 10/16/53	1-250667	Execution	Rel by Welfare Dept
2/14/54	1-263071	Inv. Check	10/16/53
		Recent Act	Gamb. & Freq Disch #3
> 4/12/54	9-117339	Speed	2/24/54
> 8/4/54	2-42330	Speed	\$10.00 #2 4/15/54
> 4/19/55	9-140372	Speed	\$11.00 #2 8/9/54
7/20/55	2-47276	Inv. Check Recent Act	\$11.00 #3 4/25/55
		Burg & Holdups	\$26 Speed #1
3/28/56	L-51217	St Warrant Wife & Child	8/22/55
		Aband.	Cancelled
6/1/57	9-190780	Speed	\$11.00 6/5/57
9/5/58		Indict by Grand Jury	M-09001 Arson
2/23/59	9-242495	Speed	Disch 6/19/59
1/18/60	9-271295	Speeding	Disch 2/19/60
2/2/60	Wanted	Bench Warrant #69032	Cancelled
6/6/60	1-480321	Inv. Recent Act. Hold	Rel. 6/6/60
		for [ ]	
9/1/60	1-486355	Invest. St Warrant	9/15/60 dismissed Compl.
		W & C Aband.	did not appear Mag.
			GNEFKOW FOR BLACKBURN

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The following ident. data was obtained from the record:


Name:	Joseph Frank Gurera	Previous Addresses:
Sex:	Male	
Race:	Mexican	911 E. 24th, KCMO
DOB:	7/4/25	537 Forrest, KCMO
POB:	KCMO	2818 #. 8th, KCMO
Height:	5-9	9021 Delmar, Overland
Weight:	170	Park, Kansas •
Residence:	2818 E. 8th, KCMO	
FBI Number:	4059366	
KCMO Ident. No:	46592	

Relatives:      Wife:  
                  (6/5/52)      Son:  
                            Daughter:  
                            Daughter:  
                            Son:



Father:      Deceased  
Mother:      Elizabeth Oliver      400 Olive. KCMO



Associates:      Carl De Luna  
                    Johnny Mag.  
                      
                    Carl Civella



On 4-9-62 SA WILLIAM C. COMPTON drove by the residence of JOSEPH b6  
FRANK GURERA, 9021 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas and it was noted that th b7C  
residence was empty and there was a for sale sign at the front of the house.  
The sign was of [REDACTED] Realty Co., telephone no#EM 3055.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, (92-326)

DATE: 4-27-62

FROM : IC SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK, GURERA  
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Re memo from SA JOHN E. WILLIAMS' 3-21-61.

There is no 1962 Missouri license issued to JOSEPH FRANK GURERA.

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SAC, MILWAUKEE

5/14/62

SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) (RUC)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
Joe G. Gurera,  
Joseph Frank Gurara  
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Reurlet 3/23/62.

Enclosed for the Milwaukee Division is one copy of subject's photo, obtained from Kansas City, Mo. Police Department, which photo was taken on 6/6/60, also enclosed is one photostat copy of report of SA LEO V. EWING dated 12/15/61, at Kansas City concerning captioned subject.

In addition to the arrests recorded in the above described report of SA EWING, a check of the Records and Identification Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, on 4/3/62, by SA WILLIAM C. COMPTON, showed the following additional arrests:

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11/26/39	3-467	Attempted Burg.	1 Yr at McCune 11/29/39
6/2/42	3-26860	Vag.	Disch Pa 6/3/42
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4/6/47	1-67380	Speeding	\$10 & 1 day TS 4/12/47

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ARREST DATE:	FILE:	CHARGE:	DISPOSITION:
9/20/47	2-38250	Gambling	\$2, 9/22/47
10/21/47	2-39130	Gambling	\$5, 10/27/47
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10/16/53	1-230667	Execution	Rel by Welfare Dept 10/16/53
4/13/54	9-117339	Speed	\$10, 4/15/54
8/4/54	3-42330	Speed	\$11, 8/9/54
4/19/55	9-140372	Speed	\$11, 4/23/55
3/28/56	L-51217	St Warrant Wife & Child Aband.	
	Wanted		Cancelled
6/1/57	9-190780	Speed	\$11, 6/5/57
9/5/58		Indict by Grand Jury	K-00991 Arson
2/23/59	9-242495	Speed	Disch 6/19/59
1/18/60	9-271295	Speeding	Disch 2/19/60

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ARREST DATE:	FILE:	CHARGE:	DISPOSITION:
2/2/60	Wanted	Bench Warrant #69032	Cancelled
6/6/60	1-480321	Inv. Recent Act. Hold For [redacted]	Rel. 6/6/60
9/1/60	1-486353	Invest. St. Warrant W & C Aband.	9/13/60 dismissed Compl. did not appear Maga GNEFKOW for BLACKBURN

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The following identification data was obtained from the record:

Name	JOSEPH FRANK GURERA
Sex	Male
Race	Mexican
DOB	7/4/23
POB	Kansas City, Mo.
Height	5'9"
Weight	170
Residence	2818 E. 8th, Kansas City, Mo.
FBI Number	4059363
Kansas City, Mo. PD	46592
Relatives	Wife: [redacted] Son: [redacted] Daughter: [redacted] Daughter: [redacted] Son: [redacted] Father: Deceased Mother: ELIZABETH OLIVER, 400 Olive, Kansas City, Mo. Brother: [redacted] Sister: [redacted]

**Associates**

CARL DE LUNA; JOHNNY

MANGIARACINA; [redacted]

CARL CIVELLA

**Previous addresses**

911 E. 24th; 537 Forest;  
2818 E. 8th, all Kansas City, Mo.  
9021 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas

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On February 6, 1962, SA [ ] advised that on the basis of previous information developed that GURERA is operating a self service laundry at Leavenworth, Kansas, records of the Credit Bureau of Leavenworth were checked and the following information obtained:

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Subject, as JOE F. GURERA, wife [ ] and four dependent children, resides at 9021 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas, and is listed in the credit records as of September, 1961 as self-employed at a laundromat at 701 Metropolitan, Leavenworth, Kansas. In a report dated 9/22/61, for the Leavenworth Mutual Building and Loan, it is reported subject was buying a residence at 2816 East 8th Street, Kansas City, Missouri. He had a listed income of \$10,000 per year. The First National Bank of Leavenworth reported in March, 1959 a credit (appears to be a loan) of \$13,000 on which there was a balance of \$10,763, with a 2-months delinquency in payments. This was in the name of GURERA [ ]

On April 3, 1962, [ ] advised SA [ ] that subject at one time apparently planned on leaving Kansas City, because he put his home up for sale. Approximately a month ago, he decided not to sell this house and it was no longer for sale. He stated that GURERA was presently residing in Kansas City and so far as he knows intends to stay in that city.

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On April 18, 1962, SA [ ] checked records of the Eugene D. Brown Realty Co., 8109 Metcalf, Overland Park, Kansas, which reflect the subject as JOE G. GURERA had listed his home, located at 9021 Delmar, for sale with the Brown Realty Co. for a total price of \$54,950. The records pertaining to this home showed that the reason this house was being sold was that GURERA was transferring to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This home was listed as being three years old and that the balance on this home to date was \$23,675. This home is financed through the City Wide Mortgage Company, Kansas City, Mo., showing that the first 18 payments were at \$330 each and that beginning with the 19th payment, the payments were \$172 (not including interest and taxes).

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On the same day, SA [ ] drove by the above described residence and noted that the house was empty and there was a "for sale" sign on the front lawn in the name of Eugene Brown Realty Company.

Inasmuch as subject GURERA has apparently moved to the Milwaukee Division, the file in this office is considered RUC.

SAC (92-920)

5-17-62

SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF -C-

CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
MILWAUKEE DIVISION

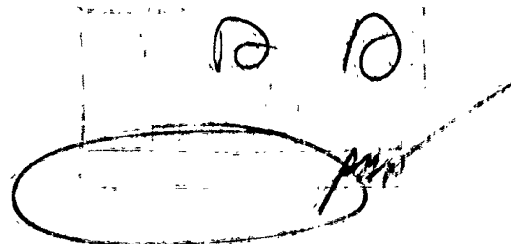
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Referenced Airtel informed that [redacted]  
[redacted] on 3-30-62 that BUSTER BALESTRERE,  
[redacted] and JOE GURERA flew to Hot Springs, Arkansas,  
over the week-end of 3-24-62, returning to Milwaukee on  
Wednesday night, 3-28-62. The purpose of the trip was to  
meet with top ranking organization members to obtain a  
complete O.K. for the Milwaukee group to organize gambling  
in the Milwaukee, Wisconsin, area. The identity of the  
individuals attending this meeting was not known to the  
informant.

The Milwaukee Division was to immediately furnish  
details regarding the above trip and Little Rock was to then  
conduct appropriate investigation, with due regard for pro-  
tection of informant's identity, to determine the identity  
of the person with whom these men were in contact.

Inasmuch as no information has been developed in  
the Kansas City Division reflecting that such a meeting  
took place and no word has been received from Little Rock  
in this matter, it is suggested this case be placed in a  
closed status until receipt of information verifying or  
disproving the reported meeting.

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URGENT 7-13-62 3-50 PM W  
TO - SAC, KANSAS CITY /92-326/  
FROM - SAC, MILWAUKEE /92-257/ 1 P  
JOSEPH GURERA, AKA - AR.  
BUSTER BALESTRERE, AKA - AR

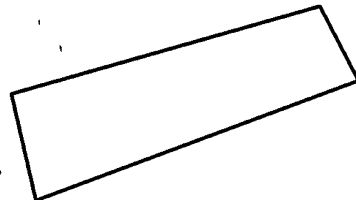
ON JULY TWELVE LAST LIGHT BLUE CHEVROLET, NO LICENSE

[REDACTED] IN MILWAUKEE IN CONTACT WITH  
ABOVE. ADVISE INFO AS TO REGISTERED OWNER AND CONNECTION.  
SUTEL IF DEEMED PERTINENT TO CRIMINAL COMMISSION ACTIVITIES.

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AIR MAIL

TO - SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)  
FROM - SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) (RUC)

JOSEPH GURERA, aka  
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1958 Chevrolet. Missouri license [redacted] registered to  
[redacted] Kansas City, Missouri.

Kansas City indices and Kansas City, Mo. PD records  
have no information re [redacted] unknown to Kansas City Agents  
investigating hoodlum activities.

Milwaukee advise Kansas City in event activity re car  
is deemed worthy of further investigation in Kansas City.

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Information re registration secured from [redacted]  
MSHP, Lee's Summit, Mo.

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3116)  
From: SAC, MILWAUKEE (94-316) P  
Subject: FRANK PETER BALISTRERI,  
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OO: MILWAUKEE

[redacted] whose identity should be protected, advised SA RICHARD C. THOMPSON on 7/18/62 that Subject had been replaced as head of the "commission" in Milwaukee and that the new head of the commission was another individual from Milwaukee, identity unknown to [redacted]. He was asked specifically whether it was JOE GURERA and said "No, it was someone from Milwaukee" and that he would endeavor to determine the identity. [redacted] also said that Kansas City had caused this replacement because of dissatisfaction with the Milwaukee commission by reason of the fact that they were not producing any money and had not produced any for years.

[redacted]  
some money. He mentioned specifically gambling and prostitution.

The above information is in direct contrast to that furnished on 7/16/62 by [redacted] to SA [redacted] who specifically asked informant whether JOE GURERA had been called for by BALISTRERI or whether he had been sent by Kansas City to exercise authority in place of BALISTRERI. This informant said that the same question had many people puzzled, but he was of the firm opinion that GURERA had been called from Kansas City by BALISTRERI.

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and that BALISTRERI was still "top dog" in Milwaukee, even though he appears to be inactive at the present time.

This is the first contact with [redacted] so Milwaukee is not in a position to fully evaluate the information furnished, but it is known from investigation that he has the necessary contacts to come up with accurate information.

In light of the above, Milwaukee and Kansas City will remain alert to any personnel coming from Kansas City to Milwaukee to assist in further organization in Milwaukee.

SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

8/1/62

SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) RUC

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee airtel to Director 7/20/62.

For information of the Milwaukee Division, the following information was furnished by [redacted] concerning GURERA on July 30, 1962 to SA [redacted]

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CI advised GURERA and his family have definitely sold their home in Overland Park, Kansas and have all moved to Milwaukee. GURERA reportedly has a ranch type house there.

CI believed GURERA left the Kansas City area because the "Clique" no longer had any use for him around here. According to CI, GURERA has never been anything more than a "strong arm boy". GURERA's wife is suppose to be from the Milwaukee area and have several relatives residing there and because of this, GURERA moved his family there.

GURERA's contacts and associates in Milwaukee are unknown to CI.

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☒ Radio☐ Teletype

URGENT

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10:25AM 9/10/62

FROM: SAC MILWAUKEE  
TO: SAC KANSAS CITY

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA: AR. OO: MILWAUKEE.

INFORMATION RECEIVED NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER NINE SIXTYTWO THAT  
SUBJECT HAS GONE TO KANSAS CITY TO ATTEND A MEETING. NO FURTHER  
DETAILS. REQUEST YOU ENDEAVOR TO DETERMINE SUBJECTS WHEREABOUTS AND REASON  
FOR MEETING. ANY FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE FURNISHED FOR ASSISTANCE.

TOR: 12:18PM DLB

TOD: 12:31PM ZLM

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

DATE: 9/13/62

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FROM: SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
CI

The following information was furnished to either  
SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF or SA [REDACTED] on the dates  
indicated:

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8/28/62 - SA [REDACTED] *ny 84*

CI advised he had seen [REDACTED] in the Hampton House  
on 8/25/62. CI advised that [REDACTED] who is a union official  
and drives a blue Thunderbird with license [REDACTED] has been  
seen by him on several occasions with [REDACTED]. CI stated  
that the barbecue at 5th and Wyandotte is still closed and that  
CARL CIVELLA had reportedly bought a portion of a meat company.

8/29/62 - SA [REDACTED]

CI advised that he observed [REDACTED] at 34th and  
Troost with a waitress who lives at [REDACTED] at 2:30  
AM. 8/29/62. [REDACTED] CARL CIVELLA,  
[REDACTED] were all observed at the House of Tacos  
at 10:00 PM, 8/28/62 together. [REDACTED] played golf on  
8/28/62 at Stayton Meadows Golf Course. CARL CIVELLA is  
engaged in the meat business and had visited [REDACTED]  
several days previously re this. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were still in Las Vegas and he has not seen JOE

1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-117 (ALEX PRESTA)  
1 - 92-602 [REDACTED]  
~~1 - 92-718~~  
1 - 92-243 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-261 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-116 (NICK CIVELLA)  
1 - 92-758 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-316 [REDACTED]  
1 - 165- [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-473 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
1 - 92-114 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-290 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-254 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-252 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-417 [REDACTED]

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1 - 92-113 (JOE FILARDO)  
1 - 92-523 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92- [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-944 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-246 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92- [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-986 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-255 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-123 [REDACTED]  
~~1 - 92-326~~ (JOE GURERA)  
1 - 92-112 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-470 (JASPER MIRABILE)  
1 - 92-532 [REDACTED]  
1 - 165- [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-269 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-281 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-466 [REDACTED]

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FILARDO in recent days. CI advised that [redacted] was out of town and he found out this information from [redacted] wife.

CI stated that [redacted] has been visiting the Ace Auto Loan located near the Atlas Sundries with a fellow who drives a 1958 or 1959 Oldsmobile, four-door and reportedly [redacted]

[redacted] CI stated four or five people were observed at this location. The same group was observed together at a jewelry store at 12th and Main next to an optical company. He does not know who operates this store, but has observed [redacted] there on several occasions.

8/30/62 - SA [redacted]

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CI advised that the [redacted] holdup of [redacted] was phoney. [redacted] has been sued because he could not pay his beer bill and CI is confident it is a put-up job. He stated [redacted] has been "crying the blues" about his financial status in recent months. [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] on 8/29/62 and [redacted] accused her of not keeping her eyes on the establishment because the money was not coming in. CI stated he believes he saw JOE FILARDO at the Uptown Theater on the previous night but was not positive it was JOE FILARDO.

9/4/62 - SA [redacted]

CI advised that [redacted] and [redacted] have returned from Las Vegas and it is his understanding they returned on 9/1/62. They reportedly were in Las Vegas with [redacted] On 9/1/62 he observed TUFFY DELUNA and [redacted] at the Pancake Patio. CI advised that he understands [redacted] Jimmy and Mary's Restaurant, is going [redacted] with [redacted] in the La Louisiane Restaurant. [redacted] visited [redacted] on 9/3/62 at the Atlas Sundries. CI advised he understands [redacted] and ALEX PRESTA are attempting to secure the release of [redacted] from the Clay County Jail.

[REDACTED]

9/6/62 - SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

CI advised that he observed [REDACTED] on 9/5/62 at the Pancake Patio. At about 2:30 PM on 9/5/62 he observed [REDACTED] and NICK CIVELLA at the Pancake Patio in a conference with [REDACTED]. He does not know the significance of this conference. He observed [REDACTED] and TUFFY DE LUNA at the Bagdad on 9/5/62.

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CI stated that he observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at the Ace Loan Co. at about 4:30 PM for the last four or five days. He stated he does not know the significance of these meetings but it very likely could concern gambling in Kansas City. The individuals who met there parked their automobiles close to the Street Hotel rather than near the Ace Loan.

CI advised he observed [REDACTED] with a heavy-set individual at the Chez Joie on 9/5/62. He advised that in relation to [REDACTED] on 9/5/62, that it is his understanding [REDACTED] frequently eats in [REDACTED] restaurant which is located at 8th and Wyandotte and in fact had eaten at the restaurant the day before the trial. CI was unable to furnish any information pertaining to the burglary of the First National Bank of Overbrook, Kansas, on 8/30/62.

9/7/62 - SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

CI stated that he observed JOE FILARDO at the bakery on 9/5/62. On 9/7/62, [REDACTED] were at the Atlas Sundries.

CI stated that CARL CIVELLA is contacting everyone [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] desk and office equipment for the office. In relation to [REDACTED], he is only aware of [REDACTED] name and knows of no particular connection between Kansas City element and [REDACTED]. CI stated, however, that it is his understanding strict orders were issued after the conviction of these individuals not to talk to law enforcement agents about Kansas City criminal element.



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9/10/62 - GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

CI advised that the meat company in which CARL CIVELLA has an interest is BRANDENWIG Meat Co. located 12th and Forest, Kansas City, Mo. [redacted] are working at the office of this meat company. CARL CIVELLA is using a 1961

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[redacted] company. He understands from [redacted] that [redacted] and [redacted] and when visiting the Sands Hotel, they received everything free. He saw both at the Pancake Patio on 9/8/62. On 9/8/62 he observed the following individuals at the Bagdad: [redacted] brother, [redacted] CI stated that he has observed in recent days an individual from Kansas, [redacted] who owns a bar. This individual drives a Mercury automobile and is usually at the Pancake Patio at 2:00 PM, speaking to [redacted]. He believes that this individual is engaged in football parlays and other betting activities in Kansas. CI stated that he also saw [redacted] at the Bagdad on Saturday night. [redacted] and [redacted]

and the statement was made that JASPER owns this location.

9/11/62 - GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

CI reported that [redacted] visited [redacted] this date at the Atlas Sundries. [redacted] date at the [redacted] of the Capri Motel, one of which was [redacted] CI stated he has no knowledge concerning JOE GURERA being in Kansas City, but stated that if he was in Kansas City, he would have likely visited the Bowery Night Club at 9th and Woodland. CI stated he has not observed [redacted] or TUFFY DE LUNA for the last several days. CI advised that he observed a 1961 Black Chrysler New Yorker parked in the lot of the Roma Bakery which car has been in this lot for the past several days. He was unable to notice the license plate since it was against the wall of the building. CI stated he has noted both JOE FILARDO and [redacted] at the Bakery on 9/8/62.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 9-17-62

FROM : SA JAMES F. GLONEK

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
Joe G.  
AR  
OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee radiogram to Kansas City 9-10-62.

Referenced communication reflects information received on the night of 9-9-62 that GURERA had gone to Kansas City to attend a meeting. No further details available. Milwaukee Office desires to secure information as to the activities of GURERA in Kansas City and the purpose of his meeting with individuals in Kansas City.

LEADS:

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

SAS [redacted] and LUECKENHOFF will contact informants [redacted] for information as requested in referenced communication.

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SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
CI

Date of Contact: 9/20/62

Place of Contact: [REDACTED]

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
AK 92-326

Re memorandum of SA JAMES F. GLOVER, 9/17/62.

[REDACTED] advised they had no knowledge of GURERA having been in Kansas City the first part of September, 1962 however about this time [REDACTED] had a dinner at his residence for some of the Italians and he had some out of town guests. The reason for the dinner was unknown to CIs. They did state that JOHNNY MANGIARACINA was one of the local Italians that was present but the other guests were unknown to them.

CIs stated the reason they knew of this dinner being held was due to the fact that they were engaged in conversation with [REDACTED] and his associates.

CIs stated that the above could well have been the reason for GURERA having been in Kansas City.

[REDACTED]  
AK 92-261

[REDACTED] advised he had just learned that [REDACTED] has [REDACTED] in the State of Kansas. He [REDACTED] the Pancake Patio on Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri, however how he obtains [REDACTED] or how they are distributed in Kansas is unknown to CI.

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- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - 159-28
- 1 - 162-2 (Gambling)
- 1 - 92-326 (JOSEPH GURERA)
- 1 - 159-112 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-111 (JOHNNY MANGIARACINA)
- 1 - 92-261 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-268 [REDACTED]

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- 1 - 92-116 (NICK CIVILLA)
  - 1 - 92-646 [REDACTED]
  - 1 - 92-544 [REDACTED]

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[redacted]  
CI stated that in the past, MAX JABEN has always [redacted] in Kansas and someone had to take them away from JABEN and give them to [redacted] CI indicated that in all probability, NICHOLAS CIVELLA was the person responsible for this.

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[redacted]  
AR 92-647

CI advised that [redacted] and [redacted] have spent the past week [redacted] They were supposed to have been [redacted] however CI doubted seriously that this is the only reason they spent the entire week there.

[redacted] ET AL  
LEADA - IN 159-28

CI advised he had had very little time to talk with [redacted] since last contacted, due to the fact that [redacted] is presently in Chicago, Illinois attending the [redacted] [redacted] is scheduled to return to Kansas City on Friday or Saturday next.

## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT - OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC [REDACTED] Date: 9/25/62

FROM: SA ROBERT J. DENEEN

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
CI  
TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT PROGRAM  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

CI was telephonically contacted on 9/13, 14, and 18/62 by SA ROBERT J. DENEEN. He was personally contacted on 9/17/62 by SAs JAMES F. GLONEK and ROBERT J. DENEEN.

92-262 ANTHONY CIVELLA (TONY RIPE); 92-566 [REDACTED]

On 9/13/62, informant stated that the [REDACTED] which he had previously mentioned, is [REDACTED]. He learned from TONY RIPE, who [REDACTED] had paid \$7500 for it. When this man bought it, he knew it was "hot." Informant therefore thinks [REDACTED] is worth at least \$11,000 but because of this the man was probably afraid to report it stolen and there is therefore no reported theft of the [REDACTED] to the police. He examined [REDACTED]. It was a [REDACTED]. On 9/17/62, informant stated that TONY RIPE had the above [REDACTED] sold for \$3500.

[REDACTED] has, on occasion, visited TONY RIPE's home and made the comment [REDACTED]

1 - St. Louis [REDACTED] (RM)	1 ea - 92-262 (Anthony Civella)
2 - [REDACTED]	92-271 [REDACTED]
1 ea - 92-109 (Control File)	92-290 [REDACTED]
162-2 (Control File)	92-326 (Joe Gurera)
87-14449 (Seidens Fur	92-391 [REDACTED]
Burglary 9/11/62)	92-517 (Carmen Civella)
92-114 [REDACTED]	92-532 [REDACTED]
92-115 (Carl Civella)	92-566 [REDACTED]
92-244 (Willie Cammisano)	92-654 [REDACTED]
92-246 [REDACTED]	
92-258 [REDACTED]	

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[redacted]  
depart. [redacted]  
the fat man whom [redacted]  
him at the Fifth Street Drug Store (probably [redacted]  
[redacted]

92-258 [redacted]

On 9/13/62, informant advised that [redacted]  
brother had died and everyone went to the funeral  
yesterday.

92-532 [redacted]  
92-290 [redacted]

92-246 [redacted]

On 9/13/62, CI stated that the [redacted]  
[redacted] were at the Hampton House. During part  
of the evening [redacted] and later  
in the evening [redacted]  
and the waitress said that they were with the [redacted]  
[redacted] identified him as [redacted]  
[redacted] " [redacted] told him that [redacted]  
[redacted]. He said that he thanked [redacted]  
[redacted] for the drinks and later [redacted] by sending a  
[redacted] came into the Hampton  
House and as soon as he saw [redacted] he headed right  
for his table and hung around it for the rest of the  
evening.

Informant stated that [redacted] on every  
Sunday buys about [redacted] and delivers  
it to NICK and CORKY CIVELLA and [redacted]. He stated  
[redacted] has been doing this for some time and, without fail,  
he does it every Sunday.

92-115 CARL CIVELLA

On 9/17/62, informant advised that CORKY CIVELLA  
has leased the barbecue to a man unknown to informant.  
CORKY is now in the meat business, having "bought in" a  
couple of weeks ago. One of the users of his meat is the  
House of Tacos.

92-326 JOE GURERA

On 9/13/62, informant advised that he was in the  
house [redacted] on the [redacted]  
[redacted] and they were watching television. The

[redacted]  
doorbell rang and a man walked in whom [redacted] introduced

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87-14449 SEIDEN BURGLARY 9/11/62; 92-244 WILLIE CAMMISANO;  
92-654 [redacted]

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On 9/13/62, informant advised that he had just  
been at [redacted] was also  
there. The conversation was about the recent burglary of  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

On 9/14/62, informant advised that he had re-  
ceived a call from WILLIE CAMMISANO just after talking  
to SA DENEEN [redacted]  
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[redacted]  
at the [redacted] where he comes in close contact and association with most of the criminal element in Kansas City.

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[redacted]  
On 9/17/62, informant advised that [redacted] the [redacted] the Inferno nightclub on Troost street. He stated that he has been inside and it is going to be one of the most beautiful spots in Kansas City. After it opens, the House of Tacos and Hampton House will certainly lose a lot of their business to the Inferno. Informant said it will re-open in approximately four or five weeks. He believed that [redacted] of the club. He stated that it seems that most of the operations in Kansas City are owned "a piece" by this man and "a piece" by another. It seems that everyone has "a piece" of something and they love to brag about it.

92-114 [redacted]

92-271 [redacted]

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Informant stated that he sees [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] He has [redacted] with [redacted] in the [redacted] and as a result of [redacted] he has already paid [redacted] over \$2,000. Informant stated, "He should be nice to me."

On 9/13/62, informant advised that [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

Informant stated this man is serving three years in the Federal Penitentiary for counterfeiting. He believed the girl is to visit her husband on [redacted] or possibly the following day. [redacted] told him he [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

Informant stated that a peculiar sideline of the [redacted] is that [redacted] has not talked to [redacted] This goes back to the time when [redacted] the Jungle Club. It seemed that [redacted]

[redacted]

On 9/19/62, informant stated that [redacted] told him the [redacted] were not operated last year. This year [redacted] is going to have his own [redacted] and, although they used to be [redacted] somewhere in Kansas, [redacted] told him he cannot do that this year because it would be violating Federal law and he is going to have to find

[redacted]

[redacted] in Missouri. Informant stated that he will try to find out where [redacted] and how he obtains [redacted] He said [redacted] should be coming out soon.

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HOUSE OF TACOS

On 9/13/62, informant stated that there are

[redacted]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: SAC (87-14449)

Date: 10/1/62

FROM: SA ROBERT J. DENEEN

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Burglary of  
Seiden's Mfg. Furriers,  
KCMO, 9/11/62  
ITSP

Re memo of SA ROBERT J. DENEEN 9/25/62 captioned  
[redacted] CI.

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A dissemination memorandum was not submitted in connec-  
tion with information furnished by CI on captioned case in view  
of the fact that [redacted]

[redacted]  
when CI departed the scene. For this reason, it was believed  
that dissemination would be of little productive value and would  
jeopardize informant's position with the top hoodlum element.

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1-92-109 (Control File)

1-162-2 (Control File)

1-92-114 [redacted]

1-92-115 (Carl Civella)

1-92-244 (Willie Cammisano)

1-92-246 [redacted]

1-92-258 [redacted]

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1-92-262 (Anthony Civella)

1-92-271 [redacted]

1-92-290 [redacted]

① 1-92-326 (Joe Gurera)

1-92-391 [redacted]

1-92-517 [redacted]

1-92-532 [redacted]

1-92-566 [redacted]

1-92-654 [redacted]

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) (BUC)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
AR

OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee radiogram to Kansas City dated  
9/10/62.

[redacted] Kansas City, Missouri  
Police Department on 9/18/62, and Kansas City's [redacted], and  
[redacted] on 9/20/62, and Kansas City's [redacted] on 9/11/62 were  
unable to furnish any information as to GURERA having been  
in Kansas City around September 9, 1962.

Kansas City [redacted] was contacted by SA JAMES  
F. GLONEK and ROBERT J. DENEEN on 9/17/62 and by SA ROBERT  
J. DENEEN on 10/2/62. Informant advised that on Sunday night,  
9/9/62, JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, whose photograph he identified,  
came to [redacted] of [redacted] where he  
was introduced as "JOE". [redacted]

[redacted] is a known hoodlum and a member of  
the Italian criminal element in Kansas City, Missouri.

In connection with this contact, it should be  
noted that before [redacted]  
[redacted]

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2-Kansas City (92-326)  
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KC 92-326

[REDACTED]

EXTREME PRECAUTION SHOULD BE TAKEN IN CONNECTION  
WITH THE ABOVE INFORMATION SECURED FROM [REDACTED] TO  
INSURE THAT THE SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION IS NOT DISCLOSED  
TO SOURCES OUTSIDE OF THE BUREAU.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 10/15/62

FROM: SA ROBERT J. DENEEN

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
CI  
TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL  
INFORMANT PROGRAM,  
KANSAS CITY DIVISION

EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN DISSEMINATING  
ANY INFORMATION SET OUT HEREIN SO THAT THE INFORMANT'S  
POSITION WILL NOT BE JEOPARDIZED.

CI was personally contacted by SA ROBERT J.  
DENEEN on 10/2 and 4/62. He was telephonically contacted  
on 10/3 and 5/62.

[REDACTED] KC 92-114

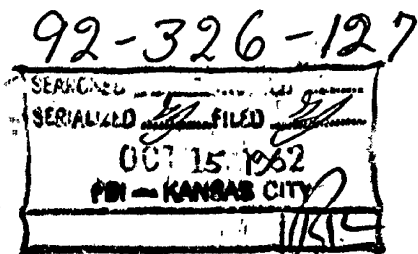
CI advised that he [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (This  
was verified by SA JAMES F. GLONEK who [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] on 10/4 and 8/62. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 10/7/62 by SA DENEEN  
and [REDACTED])

2 - [REDACTED]	1 - 92-290 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-109 (Control file)	1 - 92-261 [REDACTED]
1 - 162-2 (Control file)	1 - 92-271 [REDACTED]
1 - St. Louis [REDACTED] (RM)	1 - 92-244 (WILLIE CAMMISANO)
1 - 92-114 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-340 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA)	1 - 92-267 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-254 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-115 (CORKY CIVELLA)
1 - 92-326 (JOSEPH FRANK GURERA)	1 - 87-14246
1 - 92-517 [REDACTED]	- 92-566 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-263 [REDACTED]	

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[redacted]  
[redacted] Informant stated that [redacted] is in the hospital with a [redacted] of some sort. He stated that [redacted] has indicated to him that he in some way is connected with [redacted]. He used to go there [redacted] but doesn't talk much about [redacted] but informant states there is some tie-in [redacted]

On 10/5/62, informant telephonically advised he had [redacted] to help [redacted]. He noted the serial numbers as follows:

1. Series 28A, SN J00326506A
2. Series 50, SN J00766199A
3. Series 50B, SN H01815505A

The above serial numbers were compared with the list of known numbers taken in the First State Bank, Kansas City, Kansas bank robbery on 9/27/62. None of them were identical.

The 'after-hours' club being formed [redacted]  
[redacted]  
as The Midtown Club of Kansas City, Inc., 3807 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri, telephone VA 1-9300. This club as previously reported by CI, [redacted]

NICK CIVELLA, KC 92-116

CI stated that he believes NICK CIVELLA must own part of the Desert Inn in Las Vegas. He always stays at the Desert Inn whenever he goes to Las Vegas and he has been told that CIVELLA is never charged anything or never receives a bill when he leaves.

[redacted] KC 92-254

Informant stated that [redacted] once a month goes to [redacted] and NICK CIVELLA. He stated that [redacted] and CIVELLA used to make the trip themselves but it got "too hot" for them in [redacted] so now [redacted] is their errand boy.



[REDACTED]

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, KC 92-326

On 10/2/62 CI was shown a picture of JOE GURERA and positively identified him as the same "JOEY G." he previously reported as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] KC 92-517

and

[REDACTED] KC 92-263

Informant was requested to ascertain the school being attended by [REDACTED]. On 10/5/62 CI telephonically advised that [REDACTED] is now attending Kansas University at Lawrence, Kansas.

The [REDACTED] which was formerly [REDACTED] and which he had to leave in order to [REDACTED] is now being [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was interviewed on 10/9/62 by SAs [REDACTED] and ROBERT J. DENEFM in connection with a bad check he had accepted (KC 87-14437). At the time of interview at the [REDACTED] Street, [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] KC 92-290

Informant stated that [REDACTED] whom he frequently sees at the Hampton House, Bagdad and the Pancake Patio, resides [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] KC 92-261

Informant advised that he is [REDACTED] the Pancake Patio on Broadway. As far as he knows, [REDACTED] is not handling [REDACTED] this year. However, he stated that he would make further inquiries along this line. [REDACTED] has a cousin or nephew named [REDACTED] a [REDACTED] who is going to [REDACTED]. Informant stated [REDACTED] the Pancake Patio.

[REDACTED] KC 92-271

Informant states that [REDACTED] is not going to [REDACTED] this year because he is afraid of the "Feds." Informant is [REDACTED] and any unusual activities would be immediately noted.

[REDACTED]

WILLIE CAMMISANO, KC 92-244

Informant was requested to ascertain the name of WILLIE CAMMISANO's horse and on 10/5/62 he telephonically advised that CAMMISANO is in St. Louis, Missouri and has been there all week. His horse, "Run Hornet" is expected to run this weekend and CAMMISANO is there to watch the event.

[REDACTED] KC 92-340

Informant stated that [REDACTED] is definitely coming back to Kansas City. He [REDACTED] He is going to work in Kansas City with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
The Kansas City establishment is now being remodeled and [REDACTED] is expected to arrive "any day now."

[REDACTED] KC 92-267

Informant stated that he has visited CORKY CIVELLA at the Brandmeyer Meat Company on 12th and Forest and purchased some steaks and roasts. Informant previously reported that CORKY CIVELLA has "bought in." He was told that the meat company was running sales of about \$2,500.00 a week and after CORKY joined the company they went up. Last week's sales were \$14,000.00. Informant stated one of the employees of the company is a man named [REDACTED] who seems to have authority and is apparently quite close to CORKY CIVELLA.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Jones Store Warehouse,  
Kansas City, Missouri, 7/27-30/62, KC 87-14246

Informant stated that he has learned of two:

[REDACTED]

He believed it to be a big loss because there was apparently quite a selection of televisions and stereos.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Informant stated that [REDACTED] other colored television set

[redacted]  
but he understands it is in the house of a man named

[redacted] He stated that the [redacted]  
house is a [redacted] He will [redacted]

[redacted]  
Informant was advised not to jeopardize his position in  
any way in his effort to [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] KC 92-566

Informant stated that [redacted] is [redacted]  
[redacted] 5th Street Sundries at  
5th and Troost.

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SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

[ ]  
CI

9/12/62

Informant advised that CARL CIVELLA will lease the barbecue at 5th and Wyandotte, Kansas City, Missouri to a Negro family who is operating a barbecue location at the vicinity of 18th or 19th near Paseo.

Informant advised that [ ] has visited this date with two unknown individuals. He does not know the significance of this.

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He further stated that CARL DeLUNA has been absent from Kansas City for several days and he does not know his whereabouts.

He stated that he has been unable to find any information concerning JOE GERRERA as having visited Kansas City.

[ ] visited [ ] at the drug store this date and was also seen by informant at the Ace Loan Company. Informant stated that on 9/7/62 he had noted that [ ] who was driving a white Chevrolet automobile at about 2:00 p.m. had been stopped by a Kansas City, Missouri police car at 38th and Paseo. He assumed that [ ] was stopped due to a traffic violation since the police had their red lights on.

9/14/62

CI advised that [ ] and [ ] were at the drugstore on 9/13/62.

- 1 - [ ]
- 1 - 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)
- 1 - 92-254 [ ]
- 1 - 92-243 (CARL DeLUNA)
- 1 - 92-326 (JOE GERRERA)
- 1 - 162-10 [ ]
- 1 - 92-252 [ ]
- 1 - 92-625 [ ]
- 1 - 92-261 [ ]
- 1 - 92-607 [ ]

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[redacted]  
CI advised that [redacted] and [redacted]  
were at the Pancake Patio on this date.

He has still not seen CARL DeLUNA as of this date.

He observed [redacted] on this date in the  
City Market area.

CI advised that a [redacted] who maintains  
an office at [redacted] and drives a white Cadillac  
4 door automobile, recently [redacted] a person  
whose name he does not know but whom he understands to be  
a married woman. He advised that it is common knowledge  
that [redacted] and that [redacted] majority of  
women who go to him for [redacted] he attempts to  
engage in romantic activities with them. He stated that  
[redacted] is a good friend of CARL CIVILLA and is well acquainted  
with the majority of persons of the Italian nationality in  
Kansas City.

SAC [redacted]

10/16/62

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SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

[redacted]

On 9/20/62, CI advised that [redacted] is still being seen with [redacted] who was in town from California. He stated that [redacted] picks up bet payoffs on Tuesdays. He stated that he had heard while checking that JOE GURERA was in town a couple of weeks ago, but he could not ascertain the nature of his business.

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He advised that [redacted] who is a friend of [redacted] in respect to the Seiden Fur Robbery. He stated that [redacted] told [redacted] that he was in trouble and that the criminals in Kansas City, including [redacted] would "get him", referring to [redacted]

He stated that [redacted] contacted [redacted] in regard to getting payment for his portion [redacted]

CI stated [redacted] was with [redacted] at Spector's Restaurant, located in the produce area on 9/18/62. CI stated that he understands there is betting and booking occurring at the Main Street Grocery Store located at 43rd and Main. The owner of this market is [redacted]

CI stated that [redacted] drugstore, was in a fight with a colored person on the evening of 9/18/62, and this colored person was arrested by the police.

1- [redacted]  
1-92-254 [redacted]  
1-92-326 (JOE GURERA)  
1-92-531 [redacted]  
1-92-532 [redacted]  
1-92-808 [redacted]  
1-92-972 [redacted]

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Optional Form No. 10  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## M E M O R A N D U M

TO: SAC (91-2815)

DATE: 10/24/62

FROM: SA OTTO T. HANDWERK, JR.

SUBJECT: UNSUBS (3); First State Bank,  
Kansas City, Kansas  
9/27/62  
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The following are bank customers of the First State Bank, Kansas City, Kansas and have accounts at that institution at the present time:

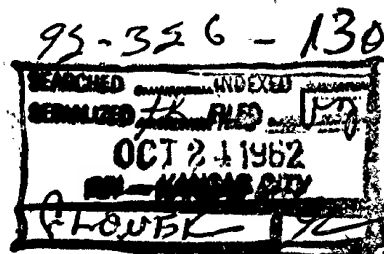
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WILLIAM CAMMISANO,  
[REDACTED] ANTHONY THOMAS CIVELLA,  
CARL JAMES CIVELLA, NICHOLAS CIVELLA, CARL  
ANGELO DeLUNA, [REDACTED] JOSEPH FRANK  
GURERA, MIKE ANTHONY HARRIS, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], JOE LASCUOLA, [REDACTED]  
JOHN MANGIARACINA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Inasmuch as the above persons are known hoodlums in the Kansas City area, some of whom have photographs in the Kansas City Bank Robbery Album, they are considered as possible suspects. Because of their ready access to the victim bank as customers, it is possible one or more of these persons may be implicated in the captioned robbery through "casing" or by furnishing information to the unknown subjects in this bank robbery.

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1 - 92-252  
1 - 92-767  
1 - 92-244  
1 - 92-246  
1 - 92-262  
1 - 92-115  
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1 - 92-243  
1 - 92-417  
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1 - 92-254  
1 - 92-291  
1 - 92-296  
1 - 92-272  
1 - 92-273  
1 - 92-111  
1 - 92-270  
1 - 92-324  
1 - 92-293  
1 - 92-274  
1 - 92-[REDACTED]



KC 91-2815

Each of the above listed persons have been or are presently under investigation in connection with the Kansas City 92 Program. It is requested that each of the above persons be interviewed regarding their knowledge or implication in the captioned case.

UNSUBS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



Optional Form No. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

M E M O R A N D U M

Date: 11/9/62

To : SAC (92-326)

From : SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

Subject: JOSEPH FRANK GUERA  
AR

United States Attorney F. RUSSELL MILLIN, Kansas City, Missouri, furnished a list of 34 individuals to the writer on 11-1-62. MILLIN advised that this is the current list of the Organized Crime Section, Department of Justice, setting forth the individuals from the Kansas City, Missouri area who are of the most interest to the Department of Justice. Captioned subject appeared on this list as set out above.

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) (RUC)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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OO: Milwaukee

Re Kansas City letter to Milwaukee 10/17/62.

For information of the Milwaukee Division, on [redacted] [redacted] advised SA ROBERT J. DENEEN that the preceding evening about 10:30 P.M. [redacted] a Kansas City restaurant. [redacted] Informant stated that subject walked in and then conferred with [redacted] in a private room for over an hour, departing immediately afterward. Informant was unable to determine the nature of the conversation between subject and [redacted]

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Extreme care should be exercised to protect the identity of above informant and to insure that the source of this information is not disclosed outside of the Bureau.

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(1 - [redacted])

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-4690)  
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)  
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AKA. AR. OO: MILWAUKEE.

INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS FROM INFORMANTS THAT SUBJECT IS IN AND OUT OF MILWAUKEE. THIS IS SINCE THE INSTITUTION OF ROUND-THE-CLOCK SURVEILLANCE BY THE MILWAUKEE PD OF HOODLUMS AS SET OUT IN MILWAUKEE TEL NOV. EIGHT LAST. GURERA HAS TOLD INFORMANTS THAT HE HAS QUOTE TO LEAVE TOWN FOR A WHILE. UNQUOTE.

MILWAUKEE PD SURVEILLANCE TEAM HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO STAY WITH SUBJECT CLOSE ENOUGH TO FURNISH ANY SPECIFIC INFORMATION AS TO HIS COMINGS AND GOINGS FROM MILWAUKEE. HIS LAST TRIP OF FOUR OR FIVE DAYS DURATION TERMINATED WITH HIS RETURN TO MILWAUKEE, NOV. TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

HE WAS ALSO GONE FOR THE BEST PART OF THE WEEK OF NOV. TWELVE.

A KANSAS CITY INFORMANT REPORTED HE WAS IN KANSAS CITY

A TOP HOODLUM THERE, ON THE EVENING OF

1 Kansas City (92-326)(AM)  
1 Chicago (Regular Mail)  
1-Milwaukee file 92-262  
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[ ] LAST AROUND TEN THIRTY PM. [ ] HAD  
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED HIS PRESENCE AT [ ] A  
HANGOUT FOR MILWAUKEE HOODLUMS, AND HIS DEPARTURE FROM THIS  
RESTAURANT IN COMPANY OF TWO UNKNOWN MEN CALLED [ ] AT  
SEVEN THIRTY PM, NOV. TWENTY LAST.

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EFFORTS ARE CONTINUING TO DETERMINE THE NAME AND ROUTE  
USED BY GURERA FOR HIS TRAVEL AND TO ESTABLISH THE TRAVEL AND  
PURPOSE THEREFOR BY COMPETENT WITNESSES IF POSSIBLE.

AM COPIES FOR KANSAS CITY AND CHICAGO.

The Kansas City Division:

At Kansas City, Missouri:

Advise if possible of any ideas as to the identity of [ ] and  
[ ] and furnish their photographs. They are described as follows:

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[ ] - Approximately 30 years, 6' tall, 200 lbs.,  
blond close-cropped hair, receding, blue eyes, classic  
features, non-Italian appearance, wears expensive looking  
sport clothes, seen in Milwaukee 3 different occasions  
during the week preceding November 20. Not seen since.

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[ ] (phonetic)--Approximately 30, 6' tall, 210 to 215 lbs., hair blond straight, face round, heavy; eyes blue; possibly brother to [ ] Same general appearance, except heavier.

Informant said that [ ] is the leader of the two and met FRANK BALISTRIERI and JOE GURERA and seemed to receive a run-down of some situation from them. A day or two later [ ] again were in conference with these individuals and listened in a matter-of-fact way to their explanation of a situation. On 11/20/62, they did not associate with the group, but as GURERA left the restaurant between 6:45 and 7:30 PM, they departed with him and have not been seen in Milwaukee since.

THE CHICAGO DIVISION: At Braniff Airways:

Contact [ ] and examine the manifest for Braniff Flight 531, leaving Chicago ten PM on 11/20/62 for any information indicating that GURERA and/or the above two individuals were on this flight.

Note Mr. [ ] states that TWA has Flight #123, which leaves O'HARE at 8:35. The manifest for this flight should likewise be checked for November 20.

From previous inquiries it appears that GURERA uses an alias, and an informant has stated [ ]

Determine if there are any other flights which would permit GURERA to be in Kansas City by approximately 10:30 PM, having been in Milwaukee no later than 7:30 PM on the same date; namely, 11/20/62.

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THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION: AT North Central Airlines:

Will check the manifest for North Central Flight 468, leaving Milwaukee at 6:30 PM for Chicago, and Flight #238, leaving Milwaukee at 8:15 PM for Chicago to determine if GURERA used either of these flights on November 20.

All offices, if information as to the alias used by GURERA is found, attempt to locate his airline travel covering the trip he is known to have made to Kansas City where he was observed by [redacted] again in conference with [redacted]. It is noted that he was in Milwaukee by noon on [redacted]. On this occasion of being in Kansas City, GURERA stated that he had just [redacted]  
[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

Date: 11-30-62

FROM : SA ROBERT J. DENEEN

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
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EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN DISSEMINATING ANY INFORMATION SET OUT HEREIN SO THAT INFORMANT'S POSITION WILL NOT BE JEOPARDIZED.

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[REDACTED]  
WILLIE CAMMISANO;  
[REDACTED]

Informant was personally contacted on 11-21-62. He stated that [REDACTED] was trying to sell [REDACTED]

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Informant stated he had been invited and accented an invitation to [REDACTED]

He advised that CAMMISANO is "real hungry" and will do anything to make a dollar. Just recently CAMMISANO had [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] which he sold. Informant felt these items were stolen somewhere but he was unable to determine to whom they were sold or where they had been stolen.

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- 1 - 92-254
- ① - 92-326

(Control File)

(Carl Civella)

(Willie Cammisano)

(Joe Gurera)

- 1 - 92-340
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Informant advised that [redacted] on the [redacted]  
to WILLIE CAMMISANO'S new establishment over the Can Can Club. He said that [redacted] is [redacted] and the club has an arrangement whereby customers of the Can Can may go upstairs after it closes. [redacted] the first week the club [redacted]  
night Monday. [redacted] CAMMISANO expect to do a weekly [redacted]

[redacted] spends almost every night at this club (The Midtown Club of Kansas City, Inc.), playing gin rummy. Informant stated that "everything goes" as CAMMISANO is out to make all the money he can. The drinks are watered down and CAMMISANO even has a couple of "whores working the place". [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

CARL CIVELLA:  
[redacted]

Informant stated that on the preceding Monday night, [redacted] son of [redacted] and during the course of the evening joined [redacted] at their table. He said [redacted]

the [redacted] in Kansas City. Informant described [redacted] as a very quiet and unassuming "kid". [redacted] wants to take a vacation after the coming busy Christmas season and suggested that [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted]. After leaving the House of Tacos. [redacted]  
[redacted]



[redacted]

[redacted] While they were there, [redacted] walked in and when he saw [redacted] he was "all smiles" and full of cheerful greetings.

Informant stated he felt he has made a good impression on [redacted] and a very successful initial contact with this man.

[redacted]

Informant stated he was [redacted] about 2PM on [redacted] [redacted] was also there and two different men came in and each handed [redacted] something wrapped in old newspapers. [redacted] was talking to a man he referred to as "BOSS", who informant described as a short older man who used to have a place in the old days at 14th & Holmes. During all of their conversation [redacted] kept referring to this man as "BOSS".

CARL CIVELLA

[redacted]

Informant advised that [redacted] he was at [redacted] [redacted] he [redacted] The next day, [redacted] was not at the House of Tacos and [redacted] told informant not to expect [redacted] back until the next day (Tuesday). Informant said [redacted] has always been at the House of Tacos before.

He said that [redacted] he went to [redacted] and made some comment to the effect that [redacted] "was a tough man to get a hold of". [redacted] replied merely that he was busy and gave no further explanation. Informant stated this was very unusual and has never happened before.

Informant also recalled that [redacted] stated he had talked to [redacted] (of St. Louis, Mo.) yesterday and told him that on his next trip to Kansas City, to bring [redacted] (a certain type of [redacted] which is not available in Kansas City in good quality).

[redacted]  
Informant stated that at this time he was headed for [redacted]

About [redacted] he was at [redacted] when JOE GURERA (from Milwaukee, Wisconsin) walked in. [redacted] and JOE went into an adjoining room where they stayed for more than an hour. While they were in there, CORKY CIVELLA came in with [redacted] CIVELLA asked for [redacted] and [redacted] motioned to the next room and said he was in there with "JOEY G".

[redacted]  
Informant advised that yesterday morning, [redacted] said he wanted to [redacted] He asked him what for and [redacted] replied that he had a [redacted]

Informant said, [redacted] [redacted] told him that it was not [redacted] it was a [redacted] arrangement from some company which had a little financial trouble and wanted to help itself [redacted]

[redacted]  
On 11-28-62, the above information was furnished orally to [redacted] KCMOPD.

[redacted]  
On the night of [redacted] informant stated he was at [redacted] CORKY CIVELLA was there with [redacted] He said they are apparently back together again. Also at the table were [redacted] and a new man introduced to [redacted] by CORKY but [redacted] was also at the table.

Again last night, [redacted] was at the [redacted] They were talking when [redacted] and immediately started cursing CORKY CIVELLA for handling [redacted]

SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

12/12/62

SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

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JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.  
AR

OO: Milwaukee

Re Kansas City letter to Milwaukee, 11/26/62, and  
Milwaukee teletype, 11/29/62.

[redacted] was recontacted on 12/6/62 re subject  
and stated that subject was definitely alone when he entered  
the House of Tacos on the night of [redacted] He recalled  
that he was very "sharply dressed" with a [redacted]  
He especially noted the hat as being of a [redacted]  
[redacted] material. He had no information as to the identity  
of [redacted]

On 12/5/62, Mr. [redacted] TWA, stated that the  
records of the names of travelers on TWA Flight 123 on  
11/20/62, were maintained in Chicago.

[redacted] stated that he would be alert to  
any time that GURERA should again showup in Kansas City  
and if he obtains any additional information as to the  
identity of [redacted], he will immediately make it  
known and Milwaukee will be advised.

Extreme care should be exercised to protect the  
identity of above informant and to insure that the source  
of this information is not disclosed outside of the Bureau.

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## MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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R E P O R T

November 21, 1962

IN THE MATTER OF: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

TO: [REDACTED]

Sir:

From Tuesday, November 13, 1962 through Saturday, November 17, 1962, [REDACTED] checked on Joseph Frank Gurera in Kansas City, Mo. All records of the Kansas City Police Department were made available to us and copies of any records we desired were furnished and are now on file with our Department. Detective [REDACTED] of the Kansas City Police Department's Intelligence Unit, was assigned to work with us and, in addition, [REDACTED] made the records of the Commission available to us for study and copying. Although the Police Department and the Crime Commission differ on some details, the variance is not important enough to seriously affect the following consensus of opinion:

The Kansas City criminal element is controlled by a combination of Mafia men allied with a national crime syndicate. This is attested to by the fact that several Jews are rated highly in directing criminal activities in the greater Kansas City area. It is the belief of all parties we contacted, both in Kansas City and later in St. Louis, that the Mafia was forced into this alliance because of their requisite of strict Italian ancestry and marriage for membership. This requisite is decreasing the number of members to a degree where the crime syndicate would force them out of business. The alliance was, therefore, formed, and the Mafia controls its own members in this alliance or syndicate.

In order to fully understand Gurera's place in the Mafia, the following documentary history of the Mafia was furnished us by the Kansas City Crime Commission from their restricted files. In 1943 Tony Gizzo was the enforcer for the Mafia in Kansas City and Charles Binaggio was the political front man. At this time, Nick Civella, Joseph Anoh, and John Mutalo were on the outs with the fellow Mafia members and held up several Mafia business ventures, both legal and otherwise. This resulted in the killing of Anoh and Mutalo and the flight of Civella to Chicago where he was given the protection of his good friend Tony Accardo.

By 1950, Binaggio was becoming too powerful to suit Gizzo and he turned to Accardo for help. Accardo sent Civella back to Kansas City and on April 5, 1950, Binaggio and a friend, Charles Garotta, were shot and killed by Civella and [REDACTED] known as [REDACTED]. Civella then became the bodyguard for Gizzo and [REDACTED] was also in high favor with the members of the Mafia then in power. At this time, James Balistrere was considered the top man with Gizzo and Joseph Filardo was becoming known as an important man in this group.

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[redacted]  
On April 1, 1953 Gizzo died and Civella took over as enforcer and [redacted] became [redacted]

The records made available to us did not clearly define subsequent events, but the setup in Kansas City in the Mafia as of March 13, 1961 was as follows:

John B. Blando, top man of both the Mafia and Syndicate; Joseph Filardo, arbitrator; Nicholas Civella, enforcer; Alex Presta, political front man. Inner circle: [redacted]

[redacted] Outer circle: [redacted] Carl Civella, John Mangiaracina, [redacted] [redacted] Carl DeLuna, Felix Ferina, Joseph Gurera, John Molle, [redacted]

and [redacted] As the outer circle men are not considered important unless they are held in high regard by inner circle or top men, Gurera's name in this circle does not denote any great importance.

The Kansas City Crime Commission employs independent investigators referred to only by number in their reports, but they had documented sufficient evidence to prove the following on Joseph Gurera:

As of March 24, 1961, Gurera operated the A & N Laundromat, Inc. at 1300 Bush Creek Blvd. in Kansas City. There are no records of this business in Kansas City and it is not known if he still has an interest in this place, but it is doubtful. Gurera's closest friend is [redacted]

[redacted] Gurera, through this documented evidence, is known to have attempted to muscle in for 30 per cent on the Jewel Box and Playboy Taverns, both known as hangouts for homosexuals. [redacted] both places sold out because of Gurera's threats.

On January 20, 1960, an arson charge against Joseph Gurera was dismissed when the complaining witness disappeared. This witness has not been seen since. There is no doubt in the minds of Kansas City Police that Gurera is a torch man.

On November 5, 1955 one of the independent investigators for the Crime Commission watched Gurera running a crap table in a gambling house known as the Downtown Bridge Club in Kansas City. In a muscle-in operation, Joseph Gurera works alone and will pick up the operator of the establishment he wants to muscle in on and drive him to some deserted spot and then put a revolver against his head and threaten him and his family with bodily harm or death and a torch job or a bombing of his establishment. [redacted]

[redacted] refused to prosecute.

On Monday, November 19, 1962 I interviewed [redacted] and [redacted] of the St. Louis, Mo. Intelligence Unit. They consider Joseph Gurera a minor hoodlum and have nothing on him in their file outside of his name being mentioned in newspaper clippings.

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Joseph Gurera was born in Kansas City and lived there steadily until about April of 1962 when he and his family moved to Milwaukee. His mother's maiden name is Mangiaracina and there were two brothers known as Tony Mag and John Mag. These two brothers associated with their nephew Joseph as they would with another brother. The arrest records of these men do not clearly show their activity in Kansas City. All three are suspected by the Kansas City Police to have been involved in shakedowns of legitimate business people and operators of illegal operations such as gambling and disorderly houses for many years and are also known to have been involved in several large gambling operations. In the 1950's the two Mags and Joseph Gurera operated as above and were considered minor Mafia men by the Kansas City Police.

In the past three years, Joseph Gurera and his two uncles lost popularity with the syndicate in Kansas City and were slowly frozen out of their activities which were taken over by other syndicate members. Tony, at present, is doing nothing, and John is permitted to operate Giovanni's Steak House and Tavern at 1921 Main St. in Kansas City. No outside help is required as John and [redacted] tend bar and [redacted] cook. It is suspected that there is some gambling going on in this place.

Gurera and John Mag did operate an asphalt paving business but there is no record of a corporation or partnership and it was a family operated company. Sometime in 1959 they decided to go out of business and offered to [redacted]

[redacted] period dynamite on three different occasions, the last occasion being on December 1, 1959 at which time he [redacted] from Joseph Gurera and John Mag. No one knows [redacted] and he refused to talk to the police regarding the incidents. As [redacted] made no complaints, there are no records on this and I was advised by Kansas City Police it would be useless to interview [redacted]

Although the Kansas City hoodlums did permit John and Tony Mag to remain in Kansas City, they evidently wanted Gurera to leave, and in the summer of 1961 he put his home up for sale, this evidently resulting from his orders to leave. Detective [redacted], who is an expert on the Italian situation, stated that it is his educated guess that [redacted], alias [redacted], upon orders from Nicholas Civella, ordered Gurera out of the State of Missouri and set a deadline which Gurera met when he moved to Milwaukee. He evidently was given from the summer of 1961, when he put up his home for sale, until the spring of 1962 when he moved to Milwaukee as a grace period. [redacted] was positive that Gurera, who received no help from any syndicate member in trying to organize any rackets in Milwaukee, but agrees that he will be able to recruit some local Italians to help him. He also believes the Acino Laundromat, now being operated in Milwaukee by Gurera, is a legitimately operated business, started to prevent a vagrancy charge being placed against Gurera and that Gurera's reputation as a tough hoodlum from Kansas City will enable him to control some of the Italians in Milwaukee to the extent that he could become powerful through shakedowns of businessmen, legitimate and otherwise, who would fear property damage or physical injury if they refuse to pay.

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Although Gurera is apparently in disfavor with the syndicate, he evidently is still well regarded in the Mafia which is now secondary to the syndicate.

[redacted] does not believe the syndicate wants to move into Milwaukee and states our Police Department's reputation is the reason. He also stated that although there are quite a few Mafia men in Milwaukee, none are important enough to belong to the syndicate and none of them have the respect of any of the syndicate members. He summarizes his information by stating he believes this is solely a local problem which must be solved by us. [redacted] and his superior officers suggested an intensive surveillance of Gurera and anyone he associates with, a constant program of field interrogations, arrests for any cause no matter how minor, and having uniformed officers constantly checking licensed premises that Gurera hangs around in in an effort to make him unpopular.

On Wednesday, November 14, 1962 I went to Leavenworth, Kansas to check on a laundromat Gurera claims he owns and operates. This laundromat is located at 1201 N. Broadway, Leavenworth, Kansas, on the northwest corner of Broadway and Metropolitan Streets. Leavenworth has a population of about 25,000 people and is about 35 miles from Kansas City, Mo. The laundromat is housed in a one-story concrete block and concrete construction building in a dilapidated condition. The front of this building consists of an "L" shaped area with 12 washers and 11 dryers, all coin operated. In the rear is a run-down, three-room apartment

In company with [redacted] of the Leavenworth Police Department, I interviewed [redacted] who stated a [redacted] of [redacted], driving a 1959 Pontiac, represents herself as [redacted] and comes into the laundromat every Tuesday and Saturday at 7:30 P.M. to check and collect from the meters. [redacted] did not recognize a picture of Joseph Gurera and had no other information. She is [redacted]

Court House records show the following:

A chattel mortgage amounting to \$620.38 was registered January 31, 1961 as File No. 1083 on three Speed Queen washers and meter kits. The mortgage is held by G.M.A.C. and signed by Joseph Gurera, 902 Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas, and the owner is the Ford Commercial Sales, 700 W. Jefferson, Dallas 8, Texas. [redacted]

[redacted] is not known at the local police and has paid no taxes since he [redacted] His whereabouts is unknown in Leavenworth and Kansas City.

No licenses are required for this business and there are no corporations, partnerships or companies on record for this business. Detective [redacted] estimated the monthly gross income of the laundromat at about \$200 and the value of the land about \$8,000 and the building about \$2,500 and the washers about \$20,000.

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[redacted]

In the spring of 1962 the laundromat was broken into and drills were used to enter and open all coin meters. No complaint was made, and the local police felt the entry was for other reasons than the burglary as business in this place is bad and other laundromats would be more profitable to enter. The police heard of the burglary from neighbors but the caretaker at the time of the burglary is gone and his name unknown. The local police do not know Gurera and have very little interest in him or this incident.

[redacted] is a minor Kansas City hoodlum and an old associate of Joseph Gurera. His Kansas City B of I number is [redacted] and he has a misdemeanor arrest record.

[redacted] is married to [redacted] and his Kansas City B of I number is [redacted]. He is also known as a minor hoodlum with a misdemeanor arrest record.

On Thursday, November 15, 1962 I checked the home at 9021 W. Delmar, Overland Park, Kansas, which Joseph Gurera claims he owns. Overland Park is a suburb of Kansas City, Missouri and is about 20 miles from the downtown section of Kansas City. The home is a combination masonry and wood frame, ranch style, with an attached two-car garage on a 199' x 204' lot in a suburban section of expensive homes. The home is vacant and I found an open door and checked the interior, which consists of three bedrooms, two and one-half baths, a combination living and dining room and a kitchen with built-in oven, etc. The home is being offered for sale by [redacted] of 5106 Johnson Dr., Mission, Kansas - Phone HE 2-5000.

On the same date, I interviewed [redacted] who stated he obtained this listing from the registered owners, Joseph and [redacted] Gurera, in the summer of 1961 at which time they moved and the home has been vacant since. He states that they left no forwarding address with them and contacted him from time to time to see if he sold the house. Several months ago they phoned him and gave the address of 2608 E. Newport, Milwaukee, as their new residence and asked him to contact them there if and when he sold their home. The asking price of the home is \$48,500, which is what Gurera paid for it.

The City Wide Mortgage Co. holds a mortgage of \$22,873 on this home and the Gurera's have kept up monthly payments of \$330 for insurance, interest, taxes and principle. The City Wide Mortgage Co. is located in Kansas City, Mo. at 1007 Grand, Phone BA 1-6885. I interviewed the manager who verified the information I had and stated that the Gurera's purchased this home on June 19, 1958 and as of



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November 21, 1962

November 15, 1962, they were 15 days behind in their payments but that they are usually a few days late and are considered an excellent risk.

Respectfully submitted,

[REDACTED]

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cc: [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY

DATE: 12/12/62

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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Enclosed for your information and for evaluation is a copy of a report dated November 21, 1962 relative to captioned Subject addressed to [redacted] Milwaukee PD, by [redacted] who was in Kansas City on another matter and took the occasion to make inquiry relative to the Subject from the Kansas City PD and Kansas City Crime Commission.

It would be appreciated if you would furnish to this office your evaluation of the information set out in this rather comprehensive report.

It is particularly desired to know whether GURERA was run out of Kansas City by [redacted]. It would also be appreciated if you would specifically comment on the organizational setup alleged herein that the Mafia is now secondary to the "syndicate".

Additionally, information is requested as to [redacted] of JOHN and TONY MANGIARACINA and allegedly a [redacted] aka. [redacted] FBI # [redacted] in the [redacted] 602 Prospect, Kansas City, Missouri. He has Kansas City PD # [redacted]. This individual has been observed by the Milwaukee PD officers in Milwaukee.

Information was also received from [redacted] to the effect that [redacted] aka., [redacted], is an enemy of Milwaukee's PHIL ALDERISIO who is known to be formerly from Milwaukee and now one of the top hoodlums in Chicago and apparently a backer of Milwaukee hoodlum activities and a supporter of FRANK BALISTRERI who, until the arrival of GURERA from Kansas City, was the operating head of the Milwaukee hoodlum outfit.

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It is requested that you furnish any information known relative to [ ]'s connection with Kansas City and/or Milwaukee hoodlum activities. [ ] is apparently identical with [ ], top St Louis hoodlum and formerly IO Fugitive Number [ ]

SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

December 27, 1962

SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) (P)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
AR

Origin: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee letter to Kansas City dated 11-8-62 with regard to captioned case and case entitled "JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka, et al, ITAR," Milwaukee origin, Milwaukee file 166-13, Kansas City file 166-44.

On 12-21-62, [redacted] Missouri, advised SA's JAMES F. GLONEK and [redacted] GURERA and BUSTIANO "BUSTER" HALESTRERE of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as both of these men are [redacted] In July of 1962, she and another [redacted] of Kansas City drove to Milwaukee in her 1960 Ford for [redacted] While there, they [redacted]

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In view of the above, no further investigation being conducted regarding this visit and Kansas City case 166-44 being placed in an RUC status.

Information copies of this communication being directed to appropriate files in the Kansas City and Milwaukee Division.

- 4 - Milwaukee (2 - 92-257)  
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          (1 - 92-166)(info)  
4 - Kansas City (2 - 92-326)  
          (1 - 92-696)(info)  
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FROM SAC MILWAUKEE

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AKA, AR.

SUBJECT HOUSE HUNTING IN EXPENSIVE NEIGHBORHOOD MILWAUKEE.  
REQUESTED ADVISE AS TO WHETHER HE HAS SOLD HIS RESIDENTIAL  
PROPERTY IN KANSAS CITY OR ANY OTHER SOURCE OF SIZEABLE SUM  
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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-4690)  
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)  
SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.  
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Re MIAirtel 1/4/63 - Criminal Intelligence Program, Milwaukee Division, Weekly Summary, Bufile 62-9-30, page 5, wherein [ ] stated that on 1/1/63 GURERA had two new-appearing hand guns, one a .38 snub nose, the other a foreign made automatic which he exhibited to informant at the same time stating that he had a .45 automatic in his home.

In light of this information Subject will henceforth be noted as: SUBJECT IN POSSESSION OF FIREARMS. CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

3 - Bureau (92-4690)  
① - Kansas City (92-326)  
1 - Milwaukee (92-257)

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January 15, 1963

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AIR MAIL

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)  
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) (P)

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JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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Reurradiogram 1-4-63.

On 1-14-63, [REDACTED] J. Lester Brown Realty Co., Inc., 5106 Johnson Drive, Mission, Kansas, advised SA ROBERT J. DENEEN that subject's residence at 9021 Delmar, Prairie Village, Kansas, has not been sold but about 30 days ago the price was reduced to \$48,500.

On the same day, SA DENEEN personally observed subject's residence and noted it to be unoccupied.

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SAC (92-148)

January 26, 1963

SA ROBERT E. KENT

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JOHN JOSEPH VITALE, aka  
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Origin: St. Louis

Re St. Louis airtel 1-18-63.

CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN IN INVESTIGATION AND REPORTING TO  
INSURE THAT THIS SOURCE IS NOT COMPROMISED.

Referenced St. Louis airtel advised as follows:

On 1/17/63 SL 1249-C\* provided information regarding a conversation between VINCE BIONDO, St. Louis bondaman, and JOHN VITALE. The St. Louis Office feels that a good share of this conversation related to the Criminal "Commission" and its present operation in St. Louis and other cities, as well as BIONDO's and VITALE's position within the "family." It is noted that this is the first occasion wherein the Criminal "Commission" and VITALE's actual membership therein has been specifically mentioned.

VITALE stated that he was "made" and became a member of the "famiglia" in 1934. BIONDO and VITALE discussed how at the present time the "family" does not mean anything in St. Louis inasmuch as there was very little criminal activity in St. Louis and that the city would probably be dead as far as the "family" is concerned for the next ten years. VITALE and BIONDO indicated that they were both old and that they had no young people who had been trained in the "family" who could take over for them. BIONDO said that in other places, such as Kansas City and in Chicago, Illinois, the "family" had continually, over the years, trained young men to take over as the older ones died or became inactive due to age.

1 - 92-148  
1 - 92-109 (CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM)  
1 - 92-883 (CRIMINAL COMMISSION) 1 - 92-246  
1 - 92-116 (NICHOLAS CIVELLA) ① - 92-323 (JOSEPH GURERA)  
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BIONDO further indicated that the individuals associated with the "family" in St. Louis were of no value and specifically mentioned the names [redacted] as being in this class. It is noted that previous investigation conducted regarding hoodlum activities in St. Louis indicated that PASQUALE MICELI, [redacted] was the alleged head of the Mafia in St. Louis. PASQUALE MICELI is now deceased. BIONDO stated that the only worthwhile individual still in St. Louis was [redacted] VITALE indicated that other members of the "family" in St. Louis were TONY GIARDANO and TONY LOPIPARO, who is now deceased.

BIONDO and VITALE stated that the "family" had not helped them in the St. Louis area and that because of VITALE's handling of dope he had ended up going to the penitentiary. BIONDO said that he could not understand why the "family" did not operate in St. Louis inasmuch as it was not a new problem that there were not young men available to carry on; that their grandfathers before them had had the same type problem, but there had always been young men qualified to carry on.

VITALE indicated that at the present time in Italy the "Senate" has passed a lot of new legislation in an effort to eliminate the organization, although there was no way they could stop it.

BIONDO and VITALE reminisced re various illegal activities they had participated in years ago and the circumstances under which they were "made." BIONDO stated that he was "made" at the same time that [redacted] were "made." VITALE stated that THOMAS "HIGHWAY" SIMONE (Top Hoodlum of the Kansas City Division) was also a member of the organization, as was [redacted] and JOE GURERA. (It is felt that JOE GURERA is probably identical with JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, Kansas City hoodlum, and [redacted] is possibly identical with [redacted] of Kansas City.) VITALE, in recalling the circumstances of [redacted] being "made," stated that JOE GURERA was there at the same time and was mad and couldn't understand why he hadn't been "made" and was being kept out of the conversation with [redacted] when [redacted] was "made." VITALE explained that later [redacted] told him that before GURERA could be "made" he would have to perform a job for the organization. VITALE stated that GURERA subsequently was "made" and that he thought that the job GURERA had to do for the organization was to "knock off the two CHARLIES."

EC 12-103

With regard to the "two CHARLINS," it is felt may have referred to the murder of CHARLES BRADDOCK and CHIT of his associates in Kansas City some years ago.

When asked the specific question of WHO was the "boss" was now, VITALE told BUREAU he was now CIV. of Kansas City, Missouri, brother of [REDACTED]

St. Louis sources advised on the weekend of January 11, 12, and 13, 1963, that because of illness VITALE did not leave for his intended trip to Kansas City, Mo. ....

On 1/15/63 ST. LOUIS -CT advised that VITALE contacted THOMAS "HIGHWAY" SIMON, Kansas City hoodlum, advising [REDACTED] that he would leave St. Louis Friday, 1/16/63, approximately Kansas City approximately 11:00 P.M., accompanied by [REDACTED]

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On 1/16/63 [REDACTED] stated that VITALE, paraskov [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] departed for Kansas City, Mo., at 6:00 P.M. that date.....

VITALE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
AS THE ST. LOUIS PD CONSIDERS HIM A "GUN FOR HIRE."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

DATE: 1/29/63

FROM *P.H. Sullivan* SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.  
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Attached hereto are copies of an FD-302 reporting

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It is requested that you furnish the Milwaukee  
Office with the identity of the

- ② - Kansas City (Enc. 2)  
3 - Milwaukee (2 - 92-257)  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 1/31/63

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FROM : SA JOHN M. GATTIS, JR.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Date of Contact: 1/23/63 at [REDACTED]

CIs advised that COREY CIVELLA and THOMAS SIMONE have recently [REDACTED] Brandmeyer Meat Co., Kansas City, Mo., and as a result [REDACTED]. According to informants, they [REDACTED] of this company through [REDACTED].

CIs advised that [REDACTED] is planning on getting married [REDACTED] to a [REDACTED] girl from St. Louis, Mo. The girl was a [REDACTED] at the Hampton House in Kansas City. The name of the girl is unknown to CIs.

[REDACTED]  
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92-1050

CIs advised that [REDACTED] is either the son or nephew of [REDACTED], who is [REDACTED] Merchants Produce Bank, Kansas City, Mo. [REDACTED] would know some of the northeast Italians and would be friendly with them in a business way. To CIs' knowledge, [REDACTED] and his family are people of excellent reputation who would not be connected with gambling or any shady operations.

[REDACTED]  
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CIs advised that [REDACTED] is unknown to them and if he is connected with gambling or the hoodlum element they have no knowledge of it.

[REDACTED]  
92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)

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Cis advised that [redacted] has been known to them for years and he is strictly a play-boy and has never been known as one of the "Clique".

Cis further advised if he has any connection with gambling it would be strictly small-time stuff. [redacted]  
[redacted] IL PAGLIACCIO Restaurant at 600 E. 4th St., for years and years.

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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Cis advised it was their opinion that GURERA went to Milwaukee for family reasons and because he was invited by his brother-in-law, FRANK BALISTRERI. The reason they believed this is due to the fact that approximately a year before GURERA moved to Milwaukee they had a conversation with him and at that time he mentioned the fact that he would like to move to Milwaukee because his wife would like to live closer to her relatives, however, he could not go at that time because [redacted] to Kansas City and he did not want to move off and leave him. GURERA also indicated that BALISTRERI had invited him to move to Milwaukee.

Cis stated that if [redacted] had anything to do with GURERA moving to Milwaukee they had no knowledge of it. They indicated that when CHARLIE BINAOGGIO was in power, that [redacted] and GURERA were his "hatchet men", however, upon his death in 1960, TONY GIZZO took over, and GURERA lost favor with GIZZO and was cut out, and as a result never gained favor with the Northeast Italian element. On the other hand, [redacted] went with GIZZO and has always been one of the "Clique". Since [redacted] and GURERA split up there has always been a certain amount of jealousy between the two, however, if [redacted] was going to run GURERA out of Kansas City Cis believed it would have been long before this.

As for the set-up of the "Syndicate" in Kansas City, Cis advised it is run by JOSEPH FILARDO and JOSEPH CUSUMANO of the Roma Bakery, Kansas City, Mo., and that NICK CIVELLI takes orders from them.

[redacted]

As for [redacted] CIs advised that they have never known him to be deeply involved with hoodlum activities in Kansas City, however, he is the brother of [redacted]. He would also be a relative of GURERA.

CIs advised they have heard of [redacted] and are aware of the fact that he is connected with the hoodlum element in St. Louis, Mo. However, if he was ever active in Kansas City CIs had no knowledge of it. They stated [redacted] is possibly a friend of THOMAS SIMONE and NICK CIVELLA.

CIs advised that if GURERA is active in the Milwaukee hoodlum organization, that it was made possible by his brother-in-law, FRANK BALISTRERI. CIs are of the opinion that BALISTRERI is still the operating head of the Milwaukee hoodlum organization, and is just using GURERA for his front man.

SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

1/31/63

SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-935) - P -

THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"; ET AL -  
MILWAUKEE DIVISION  
AR - CONSPIRACY

OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Kansas City airtel 11/6/62 to Milwaukee, and  
St. Louis airtel to Bureau 1/18/63 entitled JOHN JOSEPH  
VITALE, aka; AR.

Enclosed for the Milwaukee Division is one copy  
of referenced airtel dated 1/18/63. This airtel  
contains information concerning JOSEPH FRANK GURERA and  
possible membership in the "Famiglia". For the information  
of the St. Louis Division, JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, formerly  
of Kansas City, is presently residing in the Milwaukee  
Division and is being actively investigated by that  
office under Milwaukee file 92-257.

For information of the Milwaukee Division,  
Kansas City is presently conducting investigation to  
determine all members and the relationship existing  
in the BALESTRERE and BALESTRERI families. Upon the  
completion of this investigation, complete details of this  
family relationship will be furnished to the Milwaukee  
Division in view of the numerous relatives residing in  
the Milwaukee area.

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- 3 - Milwaukee (2-92-262)(Enc. 1)  
(1-92-257)
- 1 - St. Louis (92-153)(Info)
- 3 - Kansas City(1-92-935)(1-92-326)(JOSEPH FRANK GURERA)  
(1-92-143)(JOHN JOSEPH VITALE)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: SAC [REDACTED]

FROM: SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
CI

DATE: 2/6/63

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The following contacts have been made with [REDACTED] by the writer and where pertinent, information reflected herein has been furnished by the writer to the Agent handling the substantive case file.

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CI advised that ANTHONY CIVELLA, PHIL SIMONE, along with two other unidentified individuals, were at the Midtown Club on the prior night and were kidding [REDACTED]

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CI stated that on the prior Saturday evening, THOMAS SIMONE and two other people were at the Pancake Patio, where [REDACTED] was visiting. SIMONE began to kid [REDACTED] about having [REDACTED] CI stated that [REDACTED] was at [REDACTED] drug store on the prior Friday. CARL CIVELLA is still working at the meat company and has been seen on a regular basis for the past 2 weeks. [REDACTED] aka [REDACTED] is supposedly

1 - [REDACTED]	1 - 92-258 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-109 (CONTROL FILE)	1 - 165-52 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-254 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-112 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-521 [REDACTED]	1 - 92- [REDACTED]
1 - 92-252 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-869 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-244 (WILLIE CAMMISANO)	1 - 92-111 (JOHN MANGIARACINA)
1 - 92-255 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-270 (NAGEL MAROON)
1 - 92-517 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-265 (LOUIS NIGRO)
1 - 92-262 (ANTHONY CIVELLA)	1 - 92-261 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)	1 - 92-316 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-116 (NICK CIVELLA)	1 - 92-788 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-243 (CARL DeLUNA)	1 - 92-705 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-180 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-529 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-337 (NICK EVOLA)	1 - 92-986 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-416 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-271 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-473 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-114 [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]	1 - 92- [REDACTED]
1 - 92-326 (JOE GURERRA)	1 - 92-970 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-290 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-624 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-590 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-625 [REDACTED]
1 - 92-531 [REDACTED]	1 - 92-935 [REDACTED]
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[redacted]  
broke and has been hanging out in the 5th and Gillis area where JAKE MAROON is operating a gambling game. This gambling game is located diagonally across from the Missouri and Gillis location of LOUIS NIGRO's and is operated by MAROON, BOSSIE NIGRO [redacted] (phonetic).

1/16/63

CI advised that [redacted] originally was scheduled to go to [redacted] inasmuch as [redacted] the Atlas Sundries, had mentioned he was going to [redacted] CI stated, however, that [redacted] did not leave town to his knowledge.

CI stated that [redacted] [redacted] were all at the Midtown Club on the prior evening.

(THE FOLLOWING SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED SINCE IT WOULD JEOPARDIZE CI).

CI stated that [redacted] is scheduled to take over the [redacted] which has been operated [redacted]

CI advised that in relation to [redacted] he has knowledge that [redacted] is [redacted] Also, [redacted] along with a third individual whose name he does not know, have been [redacted] CI stated that [redacted]

In regard to [redacted] CI states that he goes to the House of Tacos and [redacted]

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1/17/63

CI advised that [REDACTED] were at the Midtown Club on the evening of 1/16/63.

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(ABOVE INFORMATION WAS TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED BY CI TO SA [REDACTED]).

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CI advised that he is acquainted with [REDACTED] to his knowledge no longer engaged in any criminal activity and is in poor financial condition. [REDACTED] the restaurant location [REDACTED] and it is CI's understanding in talking to these individuals that he was unable to [REDACTED] on a number of occasions.

CI was contacted in regard to GAETANO LOCOCO and LOCOCO's [REDACTED]. He advised that he has no knowledge concerning present criminal activities of LOCOCO, although it is his opinion that LOCOCO still has influence in the criminal field. He advised that LOCOCO is a good friend of JOHNNY MANGIARACINA, however both his and MANGIARACINA's prestige have been greatly reduced since both served prison sentences. CI stated that he has heard that LOCOCO has been feeling hurt that he could never regain the full prestige which he had prior to going to prison. CI advised that recently he had observed [REDACTED] and his wife having dinner with [REDACTED] but that this would not be unusual inasmuch as [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] uncle. He stated that he has heard that the [REDACTED] will be worth approximately \$300,000.00 but that due to the redevelopment aspect of the land to be purchased and the valuable location where the present restaurant is located, that this does not seem to be unreasonable.

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[REDACTED]

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CI observed among numerous photographs, photographs of [REDACTED] KCMOPD [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] KCMOPD [REDACTED] pictures dated 6/8/51 and 7/11/60, respectively. CI stated that the photograph of [REDACTED] is identical with the individual whom he has previously described as being observed visiting the Pancake Patio and [REDACTED] on frequent occasions. He further stated he has observed [REDACTED] at the same location on a number of occasions. CI stated that [REDACTED] apparently visits the Pancake Patio at least weekly. In addition he stated he has observed [REDACTED] at the Midtown Club on occasion.

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CI stated that he observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at the Pancake Patio at 2:30 p.m. on 1/22/63.

CI stated that [REDACTED] were at the KCMOPD and were interviewed in relation to the Midtown Club. CI advised that [REDACTED] gave the police a "beef" about this club in view of the fact that there are approximately 20 other similar clubs in KC and who are not receiving the same attention. He advised [REDACTED] who is also [REDACTED] [REDACTED] during these interviews.

DO NOT DISSEMINATE FOLLOWING DUE TO POSSIBLE JEOPARDY OF INFORMANT.

CI stated that [REDACTED] has consented to

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[redacted]  
[redacted] were all at the Midtown Club on the previous evening. There was no activity noted at the House of Tacos or at the Pancake Patio.

[redacted] have made  
[redacted]  
coat, costing \$75.00 or \$80.00.

CI stated that [redacted]  
store on frequent occasions in the immediate past and has had many private conversations with [redacted]

NICK CIVELLA has been seen by the informant in Kansas City during the past week.

1/25/63

CI advised that he had heard information to the effect that NICK CIVELLA and his wife were flying to St. Louis on this date to attend an engagement party of [redacted] and a girl who is from St. Louis and who formerly was [redacted]. CI stated that on the prior evening, NICK CIVELLA, ANTHONY CIVELLA and CARL CIVELLA were [redacted]

[redacted] CI also stated that in addition to NICK CIVELLA, he understands CARL, ANTHONY and their wives would also attend this party. However he did not know the mode of transportation for these individuals.

CI advised that [redacted] was at the Midtown Club on the prior evening, speaking to [redacted]

CI stated [redacted] is bragging about the fact that he [redacted]

[redacted] in the recent past and would not allow any more [redacted] to [redacted] without a [redacted] CI advised that [redacted] has been bragging that he has learned his investigation by IRS involves no more than a misdemeanor and that he could only receive a fine from this matter.

[redacted] has mentioned that he will take [redacted] and will change the name to [redacted]

CI advised that [redacted] had an argument at the Pancake Patio [redacted] and that others advised [redacted] to keep quiet.

[redacted]

CI advised that a new after-hours club was contemplated in the [redacted] area by [redacted] named [redacted] but that due to the fact he was informed that a few of the Italians who operate such a club were not in favor of his opening this club, [redacted] did not go through with the opening.

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CI advised that [redacted] seemed to be excited on this date and this was due to some type of argument with [redacted]. He does not know the nature of this argument with [redacted]. CI advised that CARL CIVELLA and [redacted] who have had very little association in the recent past, have made up and were eating [redacted].

CI advised that [redacted] nephew, [redacted] [redacted] has been hanging around [redacted] frequently in the recent past.

CI stated that [redacted] whose name he does not recall, [redacted] the Strand Art Theater where risque movies are being shown. CI has heard, however, he cannot evaluate the source, that CARL CIVELLA and an unidentified individual from Cincinnati own two-thirds of this location, with the other individual having the other third.

CI advised that [redacted] are boosting together.

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CI advised that he had heard LOUIS NIGRO had won \$6,000.00 in a 4-5-6 game at the gambling location at Missouri and Gillis Avenue on the previous day. CI stated that there were 10 or 12 individuals in this game and that TUFFY DeLUNA had lost a couple thousand dollars.

CI stated that [redacted] the apartment building where the 5th Street Drug Store is located and [redacted] building. He is not sure of the number of the apartment from which [redacted] is being conducted.

CI stated that [redacted] are working together in a booking operation. He believed this operation is being conducted from [redacted] home. CI

[redacted]  
advised that [redacted] the Dog and Suds Drive-in at 9th and Prospect which was burned in a fire.

CI stated that in relation to the Central Investment Company, [redacted] that [redacted] and [redacted] visit this location frequently. There

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same location at approximately the same time. CI stated that [redacted] visits [redacted] frequently. CI stated that the Paramount Music Company backs numerous locations in Kansas City, one of which is the Redwood Cafe.

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CI stated that [redacted] and WILLIE CAMMISANO are frequently in conversation together and must be working on something important. CI advised that [redacted], [redacted] and [redacted] were all at the Midtown Club on the previous evening. CI advised that he understands that [redacted] [redacted] is going to Milwaukee to help JOE GURERRA. [redacted] formerly [redacted] at 9th and Prospect and formerly was engaged in the [redacted] business. CI advised that [redacted] was tending the cash register at the Pancake Patio on this date. CI advised that [redacted] [redacted] has indicated he is getting disgusted with his position in Kansas City in view of the fact he is not able to make any money to date.

URGENT 2-2-63 5-00 PM TJC  
TO SAC, KANSAS CITY  
FROM SAC, MILWAUKEE /92-257/ /P/ 1 P  
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR.

SUBJECT SUSPECT IN MURDER OF KENOSHA JUKE BOX OPERATOR  
ANTHONY BIERNAT JAN. SEVEN, LAST, WHOSE BODY FOUND JAN. TWENTY  
EIGHT, LAST. INFORMANT INFORMATION AND PREVIOUS INFORMATION AS  
TO GURERA-S ACTIVITIES INDICATE HE SET UP THE MURDER IF HE DID  
NOT COMMIT IT HIMSELF.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. THIRTY, LAST, NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT FROM  
UNDERWORLD INFORMANT DETAILED FACTS OF MURDER AND BURIAL  
TO A POINT TO INDICATE THAT NEWSPAPER INFORMANT HAD ACTUAL  
KNOWLEDGE. ALSO ON JAN. THIRTY, GURERA DISAPPEARED FROM  
MILWAUKEE, HIS CAR LIKEWISE IS GONE AND HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW,  
BUSTER BALESTRERE IS GONE. GURERA DRIVES NINETEEN SIXTY TWO  
TAN COLORED CHEVROLET IMPALA, FORDOR, WIS. LICENSE E SIX ZERO  
SEVEN EIGHT FOUR.

ENDEAVOR THROUGH INFORMANTS AND OTHER SOURCES TO DETERMINE  
IF GURERA AND BALESTRERE IN KANSAS CITY AND REASON FOR BEING  
THERE IF LOCATED.

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*advised 5:15 P 2-2-63*

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Preliminary inquiry at Kansas City, Missouri has failed to reflect either the identity of [REDACTED] of MOLLE or any impending wedding plans in this family.

MILWAUKEE DIVISION, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Will determine through sources and/or informants the information concerning a contemplated marriage in the MOLLE family and/or any expected travel to Kansas City by GURERA or BALESTRERE to attend this wedding.

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TO : FILE

DATE: 2/12/63

FROM : SAC

SUBJECT: JOSEPH GURERA  
AR  
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BUSTER BALESTRERE  
AR  
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JOHN MOLLE  
AR  
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On 2/12/63 [redacted]

[redacted] advised he had received information from the [redacted] as follows:

JOHN MOLLE, a top Mafia hoodlum in Kansas City, has [redacted] name unknown, who is to be married in Kansas City [redacted] at an unknown church. A number of prominent Milwaukee and Chicago hoodlums are proceeding to Kansas City to attend this wedding.

[redacted] advised information from the Milwaukee Journal is to the effect that [redacted] name was. unknown first name, [redacted] that [redacted]

[redacted] JOSEPH GURERA, now a resident of Milwaukee who came from Kansas City some time ago and is described in a 1950 Grand Jury report, not otherwise identified, as a gunman and enforcer. The other [redacted] BUSTER BALESTRERE who has a long criminal record in Kansas City.

## LEAD

### KANSAS CITY DIVISION

At Kansas City will endeavor to identify through sources and informants any racketeering figures involved in the above to determine if there is any Bureau interest.

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TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)  
 FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-935) (P)  
 SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ET AL  
 MILWAUKEE DIVISION  
 AR - CONSPIRACY

OO: Milwaukee

Re Kansas City teletype to Bureau 2/13/63,  
 Milwaukee radiogram to Kansas City 2/13/63, Chicago  
 teletype to Kansas City 2/13/63 and Milwaukee teletype  
 to Kansas City 2/13/63.

Coverage by the Kansas City, Mo. PD and the  
 FBI of the wedding and wedding reception of [redacted]  
 [redacted] failed to reflect any  
 attendance by known hoodlums of the Kansas City Division.  
 It is to be noted, however, that the Milwaukee Sentinel  
 [redacted] also covered both events.

The Chicago Division advised that it had  
 received no information from sources in reference to poss-  
 ible travel of Chicago hoodlums to Kansas City.

[redacted] indicates that BUSTER BALESTRERE  
 has been in Kansas City for over a week prior to the  
 wedding. A pretext at the Peppinos Restaurant, Kansas  
 City, Mo. by bureau agents reflected that BUSTER BALESTRERE  
 was in Kansas City at least during the prior week at which  
 time the pretext was made. It is possible that BUSTER  
 BALESTRERE attended the wedding and reception, however,  
 it is to be noted that both were attended by large  
 numbers of people and the reception was attended by  
 approximately 700 individuals. This attendance was

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 Special Agent in Charge

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very likely due to the fact that [redacted] father of [redacted] in Kansas City. It is significant to note that none of the more prominent members of the criminal element of Kansas City was in attendance, however, a person who may be identical with JOE FILARDO was observed. This is not believed to be of particular significance due to the fact that FILARDO has [redacted] and both have attended the same church for many years.

Investigation disclosed that [redacted] is the son of [redacted] a [redacted] [redacted] has for many years resided in Las Vegas and is a widower who returned to Kansas City following the death of his wife in Las Vegas.

One automobile occupied by unknown individuals was observed at 8:12 PM arriving at the Continental Hotel where the wedding reception was held. It was not determined whether the individuals occupying this car attended the reception. The automobile was a 1962 red Mercury bearing Wisconsin license [redacted] or [redacted]

The Kansas City office will forward to the Milwaukee Division a detailed breakdown of the BALESTRERE family in Kansas City in the immediate future.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: February 13, 1963

FROM : SA ROBERT E. KENT

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SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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Re Kansas City airtel 2-12-63.

On 2-12-63, [redacted]  
Kansas City, Mo. PD, advised SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF of  
the following information:

On 2-12-63, [redacted]  
received a call from [redacted] Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
[redacted] requesting cooperation concerning a forthcoming  
hoodlum marriage in Kansas City, Mo., which might be at-  
tended by hoodlum figures from the Milwaukee area. The  
[redacted]

Kansas City to cover this wedding. Possible attendees  
would be JOSEPH GURERA, BUSTER BALESTRERE and FRANK  
BALESTRERE, all hoodlum figures from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The marriage in question was to be that of [redacted]  
[redacted] Mo., to [redacted]  
[redacted] to be held at 11:00 a.m., [redacted] at the Holy Cross  
Church, 5106 St. John, Kansas City, Mo. [redacted] ad-  
vised that [redacted] was a young man and possibly the  
[redacted] deceased, who in the 1930's  
was reputedly a hoodlum figure in Kansas City. No hoodlum  
or racket connections of the [redacted] family were known, and  
this family operates a [redacted] in Kansas City, Mo.  
[redacted] was not known to be involved in any hoodlum  
matters and is possibly a nephew or cousin of [redacted]  
[redacted] of Milwaukee.

On 2-13-63, Supervisor ROBERT E. KENT telephonically  
contacted the Milwaukee Office and spoke to SAC PAUL H.  
STODDARD who advised:

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and racket activities in Milwaukee and particularly around the BEIRNET murder. He has some knowledge of hoodlum figures in the Milwaukee area and is planning to travel to Kansas City in connection with the above-described wedding in an effort to develop a story reflecting a meeting of hoodlum figures from Milwaukee with similar figures from the Kansas City, Mo. area. [redacted] has been in contact with the Milwaukee Office in the past, and on 2-12-63 solicited information from that office as to whom he might contact in Kansas City for assistance. He was referred to [redacted]

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Since the BEIRNET murder, GURERA and the two BALESTRERES have been observed in the Milwaukee area and are not known to be in hiding. Upon Bureau instructions the Milwaukee Office has withdrawn from the investigation of the BEIRNET murder although no publicity was to be given to this fact. As a result of this murder, a great amount of publicity and political interest has been created concerning racket and hoodlum activities in Wisconsin generally.

The Milwaukee Office has no information as to possible travel plans of GURERA and the two BALESTRERES to attend this wedding. FRANK BALESTRERE was observed in Milwaukee as of 3:30 p.m. 2-12-63.

SAC STODDARD was advised the Kansas City Office planned a discreet coverage of this wedding to identify possible out of town attendees and through informants and sources efforts would be made to determine if Milwaukee hoodlums visited Kansas City in this connection. The Milwaukee Office should be kept advised of this matter. SAC STODDARD advised that this was satisfactory.

February 13, 1963

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TO - DIRECTOR, FBI (92-6054) AND  
SACS, MILWAUKEE (92-262) AND  
CHICAGO

FROM - SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-935)

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ET AL, MILWAUKEE DIVISION, AR -  
CONSPIRACY. OO MILWAUKEE.

RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL FEB. TWELVE AND MILWAUKEE RADIOGRAM  
FEB. THIRTEEN, BOTH INTEROFFICE.

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM BOTH MILWAUKEE OFFICE AND KANSAS  
CITY, MO. PD INDICATING POSSIBLE TRAVEL OF JOSEPH GURERA, BUSTER  
BALESTRERE AND FRANK PETER BALISTIERI, ALL HOODLUM FIGURES IN  
MILWAUKEE, WISC., TO KANSAS CITY, MO., [REDACTED]

SIXTYTHREE. PURPOSE OF TRIP TO ATTEND WEDDING OF [REDACTED]  
AGE [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED] BOTH RESIDENTS KANSAS CITY,  
MO. WEDDING HELD [REDACTED] AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH, KANSAS  
CITY, MO. SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION FOR BOTH MILWAUKEE OFFICE  
AND KANSAS CITY, MO. PD IS MILWAUKEE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CURRENTLY IN KANSAS CITY, MO. MILWAUKEE

OFFICE ADVISES [REDACTED] CONCERN-

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ING GATHERING OF TOP HOODLUMS OF MILWAUKEE, CHICAGO AND KANSAS CITY, SHOULD THEY GATHER AT THIS WEDDING.

DISCREET COVERAGE OF WEDDING AND LOGICAL RESIDENCES FAILED TO REFLECT ANY ATTENDANCE BY KNOWN HOODLUM FIGURES. NO OUT OF TOWN AUTOS LOCATED. COVERAGE BY KANSAS CITY, MO. PD ALSO NEGATIVE. INFORMANTS AND SOURCES ALERTED BUT HAVE DEVELOPED NO INFORMATION THAT GURERA OR BALESTRERES PRESENT IN KANSAS CITY, MO. MILWAUKEE INFORMANT HAS ADVISED GURERA AND BUSTER BALESTRERE PRESENTLY MISSING FROM MILWAUKEE.

FAMILY OF [REDACTED] HAS NO KNOWN HOODLUM CONNECTIONS. [REDACTED] NOT KNOWN TO ASSOCIATE WITH HOODLUM OR RACKET FIGURES. HIS RELATIONSHIP TO [REDACTED] IS THAT OF NEPHEW OR COUSIN. WEDDING RECEPTION TO BE HELD AT CONTINENTAL HOTEL, KANSAS CITY, MO. [REDACTED] KANSAS CITY OFFICE HAS RECEIVED CONTACTS TODAY RE THIS WEDDING AND POSSIBLE HOODLUM CONNECTIONS FROM BOTH KANSAS CITY [REDACTED]

DISCREET COVERAGE WILL BE PROVIDED BY KANSAS CITY OFFICE AND THRU INFORMANTS AND SOURCES . CHICAGO AND MILWAUKEE REQUESTED TO



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ADVISE OF ANY INFORMATION RECEIVED INDICATING TRAVEL BY HOODLUM  
FIGURES TO KANSAS CITY, MO. IN THIS CONNECTION. BUREAU WILL BE  
KEPT ADVISED.

SAC, San Francisco [redacted]

2/12/63

SAC, Kansas City [redacted]

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[redacted]

The Kansas City Division is presently attempting to develop information concerning the backgrounds of the BALESTRERE family, as well as information concerning JOE GURERA, who has been identified by a St. Louis informant as a member of the "family."

The San Francisco Division is requested to contact [redacted] and secure details concerning each individual member of the BALESTRERE family with whom he is acquainted. It is to be noted there are two BALESTRERE families in the Kansas City Division, one family was the family of "BIG JIM" BALESTRERE, who was a political leader and whose [redacted] the other BALESTRERE family is that of BUSTER BALESTRERE. Investigation in Kansas City fails to reflect the name of BUSTER's parents or members of this particular family. It is believed that the father of this family may have been FRANK BALESTRERE.

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The St. Louis informant, previously mentioned, has identified JOSEPH GURERA as a member of the "family" in Kansas City. The files of the Kansas City Division reflect a discrepancy with regard to the ethnic background of GURERA. This discrepancy concerns whether or not GURERA would be of Mexican or Italian descent. Birth records reflect that JOSEPH GURERA was born 7/5/25 to CARL GURERA and ELIZABETH MANGIARCINO of 525 Forest Avenue. ELIZABETH MANGIARCINO has been described as a relative of JOHN MANGIARACINA, a well known criminal figure in Kansas City. It is requested that [redacted] furnish whatever information he may have concerning the ethnic background of GURERA's father, in view of the fact that informants in New York have advised that the only members of the "family" are those whose ancestors were Italian only.

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4-Kansas City

(1- [redacted]) RIC DENEEN  
(1-92-696) (BUSTER BALESTRERE)  
(1-92-326) (JOSEPH GURERA)  
(1-92-392) [redacted]

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MEMORANDUM

To : SAC [redacted]  
From : SA ROBERT J. DENEEN  
Subject: [redacted]  
CI

Date: 2/8/63

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EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN DISSEMINATING ANY INFORMATION SET FORTH BELOW SO THAT INFORMANT'S POSITION WILL NOT BE JEOPARDIZED.

Date of contact: 2/4/63

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Informant stated that over the [redacted] he had spent [redacted] which is to take place in [redacted] on [redacted] will be at the [redacted] in that city. Earlier in the week [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

Informant stated [redacted] in the [redacted]

1 - [redacted]	1 - 92-470	[redacted]
1 - 162-2 (Control file)	1 - 92-517	
1 - 92-109 (Control file)	1 - 92-521	
1 - 92-114 [redacted]	1 - 92-532	
1 - 92-115 (Carl Civella)	1 - 92-554	[redacted]
1 - 92-116 (Nick Civella)	1 - 92-654	
1 - 92-148 (John Vitale)	1 - 92-696 (Buster Balestrere)	[redacted]
1 - 92-243 (Carl De Luna)	1 - 92-944 [redacted]	
1 - 92-244 (Willie Cammisano)	1 - 92-1039 (Desert Inn Hotel)	[redacted]
1 - 92-258 [redacted]	1 - 92-1046	
1 - 92-262 (Anthony Civella)	1 - 92-1051	
1 - 92-271 [redacted]	1 - 92-1056	
1 - 92-326 (Joseph Gurera)		

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[redacted] Kansas City, Missouri. He has a telephone to [redacted] which [redacted]. He stated [redacted] in [redacted]. He learned that [redacted] has an investment in [redacted]. Informant stated that, if at any time anything should be wanted from the files of [redacted] this could be easily made available because [redacted].

[redacted]

Informant was shown a picture of [redacted]. He stated this picture is ten years old, and he could not identify this man as being [redacted] of whom he previously talked as the [redacted] who could be a [redacted]. He stated this man could be [redacted] but he was not sure.

[redacted] ENGAGEMENT PARTY IN [redacted]

Informant stated he is certain that [redacted] engagement party at [redacted] was attended by NICK CIVELLA and his wife, CORKY CIVELLA and his wife, TONY RIPE and his wife, and [redacted] is called [redacted]. Informant is sure that neither [redacted] nor [redacted] nor [redacted] attended the party. He believes that they all flew down to the party and all [redacted].

[redacted] ET AL

Informant stated that [redacted] would be in Kansas City at the [redacted] for another week or two and is [redacted] of [redacted]. From Kansas City he will go to [redacted] to [redacted] for a couple of weeks at a [redacted] in these cities to [redacted]. After this he will be [redacted] where [redacted] will be [redacted].

[redacted] informant was at the Hampton House and observed the following persons at ringside tables:

Table #1 - NICK CIVELLA [redacted] CORKY CIVELLA [redacted]  
TONY RIPE [redacted] [redacted]

[redacted]

Table #2 - JOHN VITALE and two unidentified Italian men from St. Louis. Informant assumed these men to be [redacted] who. [redacted]

[redacted] VITALE was accompanied by a [redacted] [redacted] During the evening [redacted] and [redacted] were walking around helping out.

On Saturday afternoon [redacted] This was attended by [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

Informant stated he was at the Hampton House on [redacted] and observed [redacted] with CORKY CIVELLA taking in [redacted] On the same night [redacted] and [redacted] of the [redacted] were together at the Hampton House watching the show. [redacted] was also part of the group.

WILLIE CAMMISANO

Informant stated that Wednesday afternoon he was at the House of Tacos. WILLIE CAMMISANO came in and [redacted]

[redacted]

According to informant, [redacted] told him that he is not [redacted] [redacted] is [redacted] a week. This arrangement has been going on for some time and will continue for only two or three weeks more. Apparently [redacted] has the [redacted] and after a certain period of time, during which he will have [redacted] good share of his [redacted] [redacted] is still disgusted with his financial arrangement and is [redacted] of the fact that [redacted]

[redacted]

[REDACTED]

CARL DE LUNA

Informant advised that CARL DE LUNA was at [REDACTED] Saturday night, February 2, 1963. He has often seen DE LUNA at the [REDACTED] where he seems to be a good friend of [REDACTED]

MAX JABEN

Informant did not observe this but stated [REDACTED] told him that MAX JABEN was at the Hampton House on Wednesday night, January 30, 1963.

[REDACTED]

Informant stated that [REDACTED] who is [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] hangs around [REDACTED] club most of the time. He is chasing one of the girls who works there.

[REDACTED]

Informant stated [REDACTED] actually [REDACTED] for ANTHONY CIVELLA. He formerly [REDACTED] He is described as age [REDACTED] thinning hair, wears glasses, 5' 7", 160 pounds.

DESERT INN HOTEL

Informant stated he believes there is a definite tie-in between the hoodlums of Kansas City and the Desert Inn Hotel of Las Vegas, for the following reasons:

- 1) When [REDACTED] [REDACTED] called the Desert Inn to make arrangements for [REDACTED] They stayed at the hotel while they were in Las Vegas, and at the time they left they were told there was no bill.
- 2) [REDACTED] will [REDACTED] the Desert Inn when he goes to Las Vegas.
- 3) When [REDACTED] was in Las Vegas as previously reported by informant some months ago, he stayed at the Desert Inn.

[REDACTED]

4) It seems to informant that whenever anyone from Kansas City goes to Las Vegas they stay at the Desert Inn Hotel.

JOSEPH GURERA & BUSTER BALESTRERE

Informant stated he has not seen or heard anything about JOEY GURERA from Milwaukee being in town.

Informant was shown a picture of BUSTER BALESTRERE and stated he has not seen this man around.

MISCELLANEOUS

Informant stated he has not had an opportunity to return to [REDACTED] and is therefore unable to obtain any additional information on the [REDACTED]

Informant has not seen [REDACTED] around town in recent weeks and wonders whether he could not possibly already be working out of town, possibly even [REDACTED]

Rememo of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/30/63 captioned "UNSUB; Subscriber to Telephone Number [REDACTED]," KC file 162-191:

Informant was questioned as to whether he knew the identity of any of the [REDACTED] with unproductive results..

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On February 5, 1963, at 3:55 p.m., [REDACTED] advised SA ROBERT E. KENT that [REDACTED] who had been seriously ill for many weeks, [REDACTED] on this date.

URGENT 2/13/63 9-56 PM JCT  
TO SAC, KANSAS CITY/92-935/  
FROM SAC, MILWAUKEE/92-263/

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THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ET AL MILWAUKEE DIVISION, AK DAS

KANSAS CITY TEL INSTANT.

CONTACT WITH INFORMANTS AND SURVEILLANCE SQUAD MILWAUKEE PD  
REFLECT NO POSITIVE INFORMATION ANYONE WENT TO KANSAS CITY EXC  
INFO TION FROM NEWSPAPER. FRANK BALISTIERI PUT TO BED  
BY TELEPHONE INSTANT, NOT SEEN TODAY. CAR REMAINS AT HOME. JOE GLH-  
EMERSON AT HOME AND SURVEILLING OFFICERS BELIEVE THEY SAW HIM AROUND  
ST. LOUIS. BUSTER BALESTRERE NOT SEEN FOR PAST WEEK, WHEREABOUTS  
UNKNOWN. ADVISE ANY POSITIVE INFORMATION THEY ARE IN KANSAS CITY AND  
IBLE DETERMINE MODE OF TRANSPORTATION AND NAMES USED, AS THEY  
TLY TRAVELED BY AIR UNDER ALIASES.

END ACK PLS

CORRECTION LINE FOUR ----INFORMANTS---

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) - RUC -

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
AR

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Reurletters 12/12/62 and 1/29/63, Kansas City letter to Milwaukee, 1/31/63 captioned "THE CRIMINAL 'COMMISSION'; ET AL - MILWAUKEE DIVISION AR - CONSPIRACY," and reurtel, 2/2/63.

Enclosed herewith is an excerpt of a criminal intelligence brief of the Kansas City Division, dated October 2, 1962, consisting of pages 11 through 23. This is self-explanatory as to the background of the criminal organization in Kansas City.

On January 23, 1963, [redacted] advised SA JOHN M. GATTIS, JR. that it was their opinion GURERA went to Milwaukee for family reasons because he was invited by his brother-in-law, FRANK BALISTRIERI. The reason they believed this is due to the fact that approximately a year before GURERA moved to Milwaukee they had a conversation with him and at that time he mentioned the fact that he would like to move to Milwaukee because [redacted] would like to live closer to her relatives, however, he could not go at that time because his [redacted] a [redacted] to Kansas City and he did not want to move off and leave him. GURERA also indicated that BALISTRIERI had invited him to move to Milwaukee.

Cls stated that if [redacted] had anything to do with GURERA moving to Milwaukee they had no knowledge of it. They indicated that when CHARLIE BINAGGIO was in power, that [redacted] and GURERA were his "hatchet men," however, upon his death in 1950, TONY GIZZO took over, and GURERA lost favor with GIZZO and was cut out, and as a result never gained favor with the Northend Italian element. On the other hand, [redacted] went with GIZZO and has always been one of the "Clique." Since [redacted] and GURERA split up there has always been a certain amount of jealousy between the two, however, if [redacted] were going to run GURERA out of Kansas City Cls believed it would have been long before this.

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As for the set-up of the "Syndicate" in Kansas City, CIs advised it is run by JOSEPH FILARDO and JOSEPH CUSUMANO of the Roma Bakery, Kansas City, Missouri, and that NICK CIVELLA takes orders from them.

As for [redacted] CIs advised that they have never known him to be deeply involved with hoodlum activities in Kansas City, however, he is [redacted]. He would also be a relative of GURERA.

CIs advised that they have heard of [redacted] and are aware of the fact that he is connected with the hoodlum element in St. Louis, Missouri. However, if he was ever active in Kansas City CIs had no knowledge of it. They stated [redacted] is possibly a friend of THOMAS SIMONE and NICK CIVELLA.

CIs advised that if GURERA is active in the Milwaukee hoodlum organization, that it was made possible by his brother-in-law, FRANK BALISTRIERI. CIs are of the opinion that BALISTRIERI is still the operating head of the Milwaukee hoodlum organization, and is just using GURERA for his front man.

On February 4, 1963, [redacted] advised SA ROBERT J. DENEEN that he has not heard anything about or seen JOE GURERA who is from Milwaukee. At the same time he was shown a picture of BUSTER BALESTRERE and stated that he has not seen this man around Kansas City.

Referenced Kansas City letter of January 31, 1963, captioned THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"; ET AL, encloses for the Milwaukee Division a copy of an airtel from St. Louis dated January 18, 1963. This airtel contains information concerning GURERA and his possible membership in the "family" or "Causa Nostra."

Referenced Milwaukee letter of January 29, 1963 furnished [redacted]

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INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED ON JANUARY 1, 1963 THAT  
GURERA POSSESSES TWO HAND GUNS, A .38 SNUB NOSE AND A .45  
AUTOMATIC. SUBJECT IS THEREFORE IN POSSESSION OF FIREARMS  
AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

SAC, KANSAS CITY [redacted]

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO [redacted]

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Re Kansas City letter dated February 12, 1963.

[redacted] was interviewed on February 25, 1963. He advised that he knew BUSTER BALESTRERE's father by the name of "SUCHICO." He added that he did not know how to spell the first part of the name, but did recall that the last part was "CHICO." (It is possible that the name is "ZIO CHICO," meaning "Uncle FRANK" in Italian.) He stated that BUSTER's father was retired [redacted] and in the early days he sold fish from a wagon. Informant stated that he died when the [redacted]. He stated that he did not know the mother of BUSTER BALESTRERE.

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Informant advised that BUSTER has [redacted] by the name of [redacted] and he used to work at the [redacted] as a [redacted]. He stated that he last saw [redacted] about five years ago when [redacted] had returned to Kansas City from either Reno, Lake Tahoe or Las Vegas where he had been [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] has a daughter by the name of [redacted] who is married to [redacted] and he believes they are still living in [redacted].

He stated that BUSTER BALESTRERE moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, about four or five years ago and when informant last saw BUSTER in Kansas City about a year before [redacted] BUSTER told the informant that "he was working in a joint back there." Informant stated that he tried to get out of BUSTER just who he was working for in case he wanted to get in touch with him. He stated that BUSTER just told him, "Talk to JOE G---he knows where I am."

Informant stated that the details of his meeting with BUSTER have previously been furnished to agents of the Bureau

4 - Kansas City

- (1 - [redacted])
- (1 - 92-696, BUSTER BALESTRERE)
- (1 - 92-326, JOSEPH GURERA)
- (1 - 92-392, [redacted])

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and the details as to date, time and who was with BUSTER were given at that time when they were clear in the informant's mind. Informant advised that he believes BUSTER BALESTRERE and JOE G, who is JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, may have [redacted]; however, he is not sure, but knows that these two men are very close.

He stated that JAMES "BIG JIM" BALESTRERE was a political power in Kansas City and controlled part of the PRENDERGAST political machine. He added that "BIG JIM" in his day was the "man" or "leader" of "The Clique" in Kansas City. Informant stated that [redacted] whose name he can't recall.

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in Kansas City. He stated that [redacted] of this local and it is possible that [redacted] is no longer with the Union. Informant feels that possibly SUCHICO and "BIG JIM" were brothers, as he recalls that "BIG JIM" was known as "Uncle" to both BUSTER and [redacted]

Informant identified the photograph of JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, FBI No. 4059386, Kansas City PD No. 46592, as the photograph of the person he referred to as JOE G. He stated that he has a [redacted] CARL GURERA, the father, was killed by members of the MANGIARCINA family, because CARL GURERA mistreated and beat his wife, ELIZABETH MANGIARCINA. He stated that JOE G. was a young kid at the time of the killing and this has been the story that has been told as the reason for the killing. Informant stated that JOE G. is a "muscle man" and is in solid with the members of "The Clique" in Kansas City, Missouri. Informant stated that JOE G. is a Sicilian, as were his parents. Informant stated that he is not acquainted with the family background of [redacted] and was never told of his activities in "The Clique," if he was considered a member.

SAC [REDACTED]

2/27/63

SA JOHN M. GATTIS, JR.

[REDACTED]  
CIDate of Contact: February 13, 1963  
Place of Contact: [REDACTED]THE GAMBLING OPERATION  
809 1/2 West 39th Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri,  
92-1059

CIs advised that they have no knowledge of a gambling operation located at this address and they have no knowledge of anyone who may be associated with this gambling operation. They further advised that should they receive any information they would advise the writer.

EUSTER BALESTREERE  
AR  
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CIs advised that EUSTER BALESTREERE who resides in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has been in Kansas City for at least the past 10 days due to the fact that they personally saw him in Kansas City last week and the fact that he is still here because he is to attend a wedding of [REDACTED]. They indicated that they feel he may be in Kansas City to get away from Milwaukee for a while due to the fact that they assume that the heat is on for hoodlums in Milwaukee due to the recent discovery of the jukebox operator's body in quicklime. They indicated that since BALESTREERE's [REDACTED] was getting married that he undoubtedly would use this as his excuse for being in Kansas City. They stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] indicated to them that

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1 [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

BALESTREERE attended the wedding and [REDACTED] also indicated that he thought he saw some individual taking photographs of the wedding guests and he felt that it was possibly Agents of the FBI. CI stated that if JOE GURERA attended the wedding, they had no knowledge of it.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-4690)  
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)  
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AKA. AR. DAILY TELETYPE.

ADDITIONAL WITNESS TO VISITATION OF GURERA, DE SALVO AND COVELLI TO ANTHONY BIERNAT PRIOR TO HIS ABDUCTION AND MURDER REFERRED TO IN MY TELETYPE MARCH FOURTEEN LAST IS [REDACTED] THIS INDIVIDUAL KNOWS COVELLI PERSONALLY AND POSITIVELY IDENTIFIES HIM BUT UNABLE TO POSITIVELY IDENTIFY THE OTHER TWO INDIVIDUALS ACCOMPANYING HIM. AFTER THIS VISITATION BIERNAT TOLD [REDACTED] THAT THEY WANTED HIM TO EXPAND HIS BUSINESS.

ON MARCH FOURTEEN OBSERVED THAT MOVING COMPANY PACKING GURERA-S FURNITURE. INQUIRY DETERMINED THAT HE IS MOVING HIS FURNITURE BACK TO OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS, THIS DATE. HE ADVISED USA HIS NEW ADDRESS LOCALLY WAS ONE SIX THREE FOUR NO. JACKSON. THIS IS THE RESIDENCE OF BUSTER BALESTRERE. APPEARS PROBABLE THAT GURERA WILL BE LEAVING MILWAUKEE TO RETURN TO AREA OF KANSAS CITY. KANSAS CITY ADVISED BY AM COPY.

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GURERA KNOWN TO POSSESS FIREARMS. CONSIDER ARMED AND  
DANGEROUS.

At Kansas City

Contact Greyhound Van Line Agent and determine exact address to which GURERA's household possessions are being moved. You will be advised upon receipt of additional information relative to movement of him or his family from Milwaukee to Kansas City.

Date 2/19/63

[ ] was interviewed at the [ ]  
[ ] Kansas City, Missouri, at which time he was advised  
that he did not have to make any statements, that any state-  
ments made by him could be used against him in a court of  
law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney.

Mr. [ ] stated that he has been interviewed on  
numerous occasions by FBI investigators and other Federal  
agents and because of this is well acquainted with what his  
constitutional rights are and pointed out that he had no re-  
servations whatsoever about speaking to Government agents.

Mr. [ ] stated he is presently residing at [ ]  
[ ] with [ ] and [ ]  
[ ] said his [ ] and the  
other [ ] [ ] stated that he returned from  
[ ] to Kansas City during the summer of [ ] and  
since that period has been employed by [ ]  
[ ] and presently  
employed by the [ ] in the [ ] de-  
partment.

He stated that he has had very little success in a  
financial sense since returning to Kansas City, and in fact,  
has been unable to make three monthly payments due on his  
residence in [ ] and he thinks he is close to losing that  
home. He advised that the salary at [ ] is based  
on commission only and has been very unsatisfactory.

[ ] stated that he returned to Kansas City from  
the [ ] area due to the fact that [ ]  
[ ] were very lonely in that locality. He advised that  
he very likely will return to the [ ] area during the fall  
of 1963, if conditions do not improve in Kansas City insofar  
as his income is concerned.

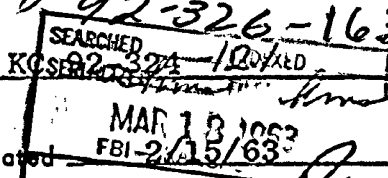
[ ] advised that there have been a number of new  
[ ] to friends of his from the Italian area of  
Kansas City, Missouri, but he has not [ ]  
He stated even though some of these individuals were old  
friends, they did not see fit to contact him in regard to

On 2/14/63 at Kansas City, Missouri File # KC 92-326-163

by SAs [ ] GEORGE F. Date dictated 2/15/63

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these [ ] He mentioned that [ ] has [ ]  
[ ]

[ ] stated that it is true that he has been fairly friendly in the past with NICHOLAS CIVELLA and describes CIVELLA as [ ] He said that he has no knowledge concerning CIVELLA's activities, but recognizes that CIVELLA is one of the leaders of the Italian element in Kansas City. He pointed out that he sincerely believes CIVELLA has been misunderstood by many people in Kansas City and added that CIVELLA has been instrumental in keeping young Italians out of the criminal field; keeping narcotics out of Kansas City; and putting an end to the beatings and other activity which was prevalent in Kansas City for many years prior to recent years.

[ ] advised that he has had very little, or no, contact with NICHOLAS CIVELLA since returning to Kansas City, but mentioned that he has never contacted CIVELLA for any favor due to the fact that he believes CIVELLA "must have numerous individuals in line for such favors." He stated that he has no knowledge concerning any criminal activities on the part of CIVELLA, but pointed out that due to his limited association with CIVELLA, he does not know what CIVELLA's activities might be.

He stated that CIVELLA is an unusual individual in view of the fact that he has a [ ] and, to his knowledge, has never [ ]  
[ ]

[ ] stated that several years ago, he had filed an application for pardon in relation to prior prison terms and feels that this application was denied due to his association with CIVELLA. He stated that he has engaged in no criminal activity in the past ten or twelve years and, although he had previously associated with women other than his wife, he has for the past twelve years been faithful to her and feels that he has the finest wife that a man can have.

When asked regarding the statement he had made to the effect that CIVELLA does not condone immorality and the fact that many of CIVELLA's associates are known to have girl friends other than their wives, [ ] pointed out that NICK CIVELLA cannot control this factor when it involves certain individuals such as his brother CARL CIVELLA and his nephew

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ANTHONY CIVELLA. He stated he believes these individuals and others like them become associated with other women through their environment. By this, he means these individuals continually spend long hours during the course of each evening in various bars and nightclubs, and [ ] was of the opinion that it is inevitable that if one visits these locations, personal escapades will result.

He further stated that he is personally acquainted with virtually every individual of Italian descent who was born and reared in Kansas City. He advised that he is acquainted with [ ] but considered him to be an individual who is different from NICHOLAS CIVELLA. He stated that contrary to CIVELLA's actions of helping individuals, [ ] is a cold individual who would not help anyone. In addition, in regard to NICK CIVELLA's brother, CARL, he pointed out that although he knows CARL CIVELLA very well, he does not desire to associate with him since CIVELLA is an individual who likes to kid other people, but when he in turn is on the receiving end of such action, he becomes highly emotional and does many "stupid" things. He stated a similar difference exists between the [ ], namely [ ]. He pointed out that ANTHONY's character is very much like that of his father, while [ ] he has more of a sense of responsibility.

[ ] stated that in relation to [ ] it is his understanding that [ ] owes everybody, and that he and [ ] are not on friendly terms.

[ ] advised that he is acquainted with the BALESTRERE family and stated that [ ] "BIG JIM" BALESTRERE, the former political leader, [ ]

[ ]

The other BALESTRERE family, of which BUSTER BALESTRERE is a member, is the family of FRANK BALESTRERE, who resided at 508 Harrison, Kansas City, Missouri. Members of this family consist of BUSTER BALESTRERE, who is residing in Milwaukee; [ ]

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[ ] also pointed out that JOHN MOLLE and [ ]  
[ ] and that he is  
well acquainted with MOLLE. He stated that JOE GURERA and  
BUSTER BALESTRERE [ ]

[ ] stated that another brother of BUSTER is [ ]  
[ ]

[ ] advised that he does not ever intend to know-  
ingly violate any criminal laws in the future in view of the  
fact that he "has learned his lesson" from his past activities.  
He stated that he would very much like to secure an applica-  
tion of pardon at some time in the future because this would  
give him entry into securing a permit to work in a tavern. He  
feels that in relation to his previous application for pardon,  
the fact that NICK CIVELLA [ ]  
[ ] was instrumental in his failure to receive same. [ ]  
stated that he would not furnish any information concerning  
activities on the part of his acquaintances but wished to state  
that he has not during recent years been closely enough asso-  
ciated with such individuals as to know of such activities.

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☒ RadioMARCH 20, 1963  
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TOR 1:37 PM JDD☐ Teletype

TO SAC KANSAS CITY  
FROM SAC MILWAUKEE

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AKA, AR.

REMITEL TO BUREAU, ~~ONE~~ CC YOUR OFFICE, RELATIVE GURERA-S  
POSSIBLE MOVE TO KANSAS CITY AREA.

INFORMANT REPORTS GURERA STILL IN MILWAUKEE NIGHT OF MARCH  
17TH LAST BUT MILWAUKEE SURVEILLANCE SQUAD HAS NOT SPOTTED HIM  
THIS WEEK. REQUEST CHECK TO DETERMINE IF HE IS IN KANSAS CITY.  
HE DRIVES 1962 SAND COLORED CHEVROLET, WISCONSIN LICENSE  
E 60-784. GURERA HAS BEEN KNOWN TO POSSESS FIREARMS. HE SHOULD  
BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-326)

DATE: 3/22/63

FROM : SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF

SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
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On 3/21/63, SAs GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF and ORSON F. MYERS, JR. observed subject's residence at 9021 Delmar, Johnson County, Kansas. It was noted that various packing cases, similar to those used in moving household goods, were sitting both in the garage and in the back porch area. At 2:55 p.m. an individual thought to be JOSEPH GURERA was observed coming from the residence and trimming the bushes, in front of the GURERA residence. It is to be noted that previously someone apparently had cut the grass and done considerable yard work.

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Date: March 22, 1963

Transmit the following in CODE  
(Type in plain text or code)Via RADIOGRAM URGENT  
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TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AKA ARPARA RE MILWAUKEE RADIOGRAM, MARCH TWENTY LAST.

PARA ON MARCH TWENTY-ONE LAST, BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVED GURERA's  
HOME AND VARIOUS PACKING BOXES. PERSON BELIEVED TO BE JOSEPH  
GURERA OBSERVED DOING YARD WORK DURING P.M. <sup>THAT</sup> THIS DATE. IN-  
VESTIGATION CONTINUING TO DETERMINE WHETHER GURERA HAS MOVED  
BACK TO HIS FORMER RESIDENCE.

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Approved: *AF*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent *11:30* A MPer *J. W. L.*



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A I R T E L

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1181)  
SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.  
AR  
(OO: MILWAUKEE)

Re Milwaukee letter to Chicago 2/27/63.

Enclosed herewith to Kansas City is a Xerox copy of referenced letter together with a Xerox copy of the statement made by [redacted] to Postal Inspector [redacted] Chicago, on 1/31/63.

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Enclosed herewith to Milwaukee is one photograph of [redacted] and one photograph of [redacted]

On 3/21/63, Mr. [redacted] U. S. Probation Office, Chicago, advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] was received by the Federal Penitentiary, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, under # [redacted] on 2/18/63 for parole violations and for having a stolen pistol in his possession.

For the information of the Kansas City Office, the captioned subject is considered one of the suspects in the "ANTHONY BIERNAT - Murder" case by the Milwaukee office. As indicated in the enclosed letter from Milwaukee to Chicago, GURERA [redacted]

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[redacted] which is described in referenced letter. He also exhibited to Milwaukee informant two guns, one which [redacted]

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Milwaukee desires that [ ] be interviewed thoroughly in order to, if possible, identify the source of the weapon found in his possession by the Postal Inspectors in Chicago.

On 3/21/68, Inspector [ ] U. S. Post Office Inspector, Chicago, furnished the following information:

An individual by the name of [ ] turned over the Colt revolver to one [ ] at [ ] for [ ] called the Post Office Department and advised them of the possession of the revolver by [ ] and the fact that [ ]

A surveillance was instituted by the Postal Inspectors and at approximately 10:30 PM, [ ] later identified as [ ] 7/30/63 contacted [ ] in the bar and obtained the weapon, at which time he was subsequently placed under arrest by the Postal Inspectors. [ ] companion was one [ ], who was arrested, processed through the Bureau of Identification of the Chicago PD, and subsequently released.

[ ] subsequently furnished to the Postal Inspectors a signed statement which is enclosed to Kansas City for their use in the interview of [ ] The Colt revolver in possession of [ ] was turned over to the First Area Burglary Detail and subsequently the Chicago PD crime laboratory ran a ballistic test on the revolver. Inspector [ ] subsequently obtained possession of the revolver and it was placed back into service by the Post Office Department.

Inspector [ ] stated it is his opinion that both [ ] and [ ] were obtaining the revolver from [ ] in order to use in armed robberies in the Chicago area. He stated that this was his opinion now, inasmuch as police officers from the Chicago PD, [ ] Star No. [ ] and [ ] Star No. [ ] contacted Mr. [ ] on 3/8/63, inasmuch as they were attempting to locate [ ] as a suspect in an armed robbery.

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In the way of background, Inspector [ ] stated that [ ] mobile postal clerk, who is a postal employee working on the Chicago and North Western Railroad, is well known to him personally. He considers [ ] an individual of good reputation and high moral character and pointed out that he doubted very much that [ ] would or could have lost the revolver any place other than the Marion Hotel, 505 West Madison Street, Chicago. He doubted that [ ] would have reported the revolver stolen from him in Chicago in order to "cover up" for any reason. He stated that the Marion Hotel is used by Post Office mobile postal clerks who come into Chicago and are waiting for a trip back to their respective home destinations.

He recalls that [ ] was in a locked room and asleep during the time this theft occurred. There was no forcing of entry indications upon investigation of the door and [ ] was not awakened by the thief.

Another postal mobile clerk found [ ] suitcase in the bathroom at the end of the hallway used by individuals rooming on the floor and subsequently contacted [ ] [ ] checked his suitcase and found that all of his clothes were intact and that only the .38 Colt revolver and money was missing from his suitcase. He then immediately notified the Postal Inspectors in Chicago of this loss and subsequently the Postal Inspectors and Chicago PD Officers investigated the theft.

During Inspector [ ] interview of [ ] [ ] advised that he generally used various hotels on West Madison Street to live in, indicating that he stayed at various times at the Elite, the Mc Coy, and the Mohawk and said he had no permanent address. He is divorced from his wife. In the pocket of [ ] overcoat at the time of his arrest, he had a card which was from the Major Hotel, 660 West Madison, which also had the phone number BI 8-2300. This phone number was subsequently determined to be the number of the Monterey Hotel, 808 West Junior Terrace, Chicago.

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Inspector [ ] checked with the hotel and determined that [ ] or [ ] the alias used by [ ] at various times in Chicago, was registered at this hotel.

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KANSAS CITY

AT FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS. Will interview [ ], U. S. Federal Penitentiary Number [ ] in an effort to obtain the individual who sold the pistol to [ ]

Will also interview [ ] and ascertain if he had possession of any foreign made automatic, .45 automatics, or any other weapons.

Attempt to resolve the fact that the Colt revolver in question was stolen on 12/27/62. in Chicago, and was subsequently found [ ]

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[ ]  
this information and the facts as known by the Bureau must be protected.

Will thoroughly interview [ ] regarding his association with [ ] on [ ] knowledge if [ ] had any weapons in his possession. Attempt to establish any information regarding [ ] associates, employment, or place of residence.

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MILWAUKEE

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. Will exhibit enclosed photographs to [ ] and other logical informants to ascertain if either one or both individuals are known in the Milwaukee area.

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will establish liaison with the Chicago PD and follow their efforts to locate [redacted] in order that he may be interviewed regarding this matter.

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SA [REDACTED]

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JOHN MOLLE  
AR

Re Kansas City airtel to Milwaukee dated 2/12/63, captioned  
"JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka, AR."

On March 12, 1963, the files of the Jackson County, Missouri,  
Recorder's Office were checked. File #B-98632, in Marriage  
License Book 210, page 176, contained a marriage license dated  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Clerk, Recorder's Office, stated that the  
marriage license has not yet been returned as is required after  
the marriage has been performed. [REDACTED] advised that the  
applicants are allowed a period of 90 days in which to return  
the marriage license application reflecting the marriage ceremony.

The files of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City, checked  
on February 28, 1963, were found to contain a report dated  
April 24, 1962, regarding JOHN MOLLE, 444 East 74th, Kansas  
City, Missouri. His former residence is listed as 3636 Gladstone.  
MOLLE has been on file since 1931. He is 44 years of age,  
married, and has four children. He is employed as president  
of the Saraan Auto Leasing Company, 1404 McGee. The report  
reflects that MOLLE's credit is satisfactory. He is reportedly  
known well at the Central Bank by Mr. [REDACTED]

MOLLE was previously a partner in the Jewalann Auto Leasing Company  
for a number of years. In 1957 he owned the building located  
at 422 East 9th and had half-interest in the Delman Inn, which  
was valued at \$35,000.

The files of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department  
Identification Division, checked on February 28, 1963, were  
found to contain a record of JOHN MOLLE, KCMO PD #60659. He  
is described as born 12/27/14 in Missouri, white male, 5' 11",  
210 pounds, hair black, eyes brown, married, [REDACTED]

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Following is MOLLE's arrest record at the Police Department:

8/24/31 - investigation of liquor - released  
by Prosecutor 8/25/31

1/9/32 - speeding - fined \$25

3/17/32 - disturbing the peace - discharged 3/18/32

2/19/35 - investigation of robbery - released by  
arresting officers 2/20/35

7/8/38 - careless driving - dismissed without  
prosecution 7/15/38

8/9/40 - no city auto license - fined \$25

10/8/40 - traffic violation - paid fine

6/7/41 - careless driving - fined \$5 and 2 days

4/10/47 - careless driving - forfeited \$25 bail

7/9/47 - selling liquor to minor - dismissed 8/1/47

12/28/47 - investigation carrying concealed weapon -  
released by Robbery 12/29/47

3/5/56 - speeding - fined \$15

11/3/56 - speeding - fined \$15

12/8/60 - speeding - fined \$10

3/28/61 - ran red light - fined \$6

6/15/61 - speeding - fined \$5

7/21/61 - failure to yield - fined \$5

Inasmuch as the investigation has established that the bride in the wedding referred to in reairtel is not the daughter of JOHN MOLLE, it is recommended that this case be closed administratively.

Date 4/5/63

[redacted] Inmate, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, on interview, was advised of the identity of interviewing agent, that he was not compelled to make a statement and that any statement made could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised that he was entitled to consult an attorney. No threats or promises were made to induce him to make a statement.

[redacted] furnished the following information regarding a Colt short barrel revolver found in his possession on arrest at Chicago, Illinois on January 30, 1963, which he stated Post Office Officials had informed him had been stolen from a Post Office employee about December 27, 1962.

[redacted] claimed that for several days before and after December 27, 1962, he resided at the St. Francis Hotel, 6th and Chestnut, St. Louis, Missouri under the name of [redacted]. Some time prior to that date he had rented a room under the same name at [redacted] (Phonetic), St. Louis, Missouri.

Early in January, 1963, he traveled to Chicago, Illinois and until the time of his arrest lived in various small hotels, the names of which he could not remember. He stated he believes he had stayed for a period of time at the Elite Hotel. He had also planned to stay at the Major Hotel, and had a card of this hotel in his pocket at the time of his arrest, but he had not actually stayed there. He was unemployed at the time of his arrest, and he had not left the city of Chicago between the time of his departure from St. Louis until his arrest.

[redacted] claimed that the statement given Postal authorities as to his having purchased the short barrel .38 Colt revolver from an unknown individual in a tavern west of Halsted Street in Chicago is true. He claims he had never seen this individual before and he doubts that he could recognize him if he saw him again. He claimed to have been drinking heavily at the time and could only recall that this individual was between about 30 and 45 years of age, over 5'9", and approximately 200 pounds, but

On 4/3/63 at Leavenworth, Kansas File # KC 92-326 -170  
by SA [redacted] /nkk Date dictated 4/3/63



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not of a noticeably heavy build. He did recall that there were only two cartridges in the gun when he purchased it for approximately \$30, and the same two cartridges were in the gun when he gave it to [redacted] to keep for him. He could not recall if the gun was still loaded when he obtained it from the tavern owner immediately prior to his arrest. The man who sold him this gun did not say whether or not he had any other guns for sale.

According to [redacted] the individual he was informed was [redacted], who was arrested with him at the Chicago tavern on January 30, 1963, was only a slight acquaintance. He had seen [redacted] only a few times before at local taverns, but had not associated with him other than to have sat at the same bar drinking beer, and he knew nothing as to his background, local address, or place of employment. He had never discussed the ownership of any guns with [redacted] and he is not aware of whether or not [redacted] owned a gun. He claimed that he is at a loss to know why [redacted] was arrested with him as [redacted] was not with him at this tavern nor had they been together before entering this tavern. He claimed [redacted] followed him into the tavern and he assumes the officers thought they were together.

[redacted] advised he is not well acquainted in Chicago and has no close associates there. He denied any knowledge of the theft of the Colt revolver or where it had been from the time of its theft until it was sold to him at the tavern in Chicago about January 28, 1963. He claimed he had owned no other guns since he was a small boy and had owned a .22 rifle.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SACs, MILWAUKEE (92-257)  
CHICAGO (92-1181)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) -P-

RE: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
AR

OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee letter to Chicago, dated 2/27/63, and  
Chicago airtel to Kansas City, dated 3/22/63.

Enclosed to Milwaukee are eight (8) copies and  
two (2) copies to Chicago of 302 interview of [redacted]  
[redacted] Inmate, USP Leavenworth, Kansas in which he insists the  
original statement made to Postal authorities regarding his  
possession of the .38 Colt revolver when arrested in Chicago,  
12/30/62, is true.

[redacted] claimed that the last time he had been in  
Milwaukee was in about 1954 after he had been released from  
the Federal institution at Terre Haute, Indiana. He claimed  
he had obtained employment as a [redacted] on the  
[redacted] and was in Milwaukee and other  
cities in connection with this job. He claimed he was not  
acquainted with anyone in Milwaukee.

Records of the USP Leavenworth reflect [redacted]  
FBI # [redacted] white male, born [redacted] was sentenced in  
USDC, Danville, Illinois 10/9/57, to 6 years for Post Office  
Laws-Breaking into Post Office with intent to commit Larceny  
& MRV. He was committed at Terre Haute and transferred to USP  
Leavenworth 5/26/58. He was given Mandatory Release 11/1/61,  
and recommitted 3/18/63. His term will expire with good time  
7/4/64, with full term to expire 1/5/65.

Copies are furnished Chicago because of their  
interest in this matter.

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2-Chicago (Encs.2)  
2-Kansas City  
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[ ] is presently assigned to the Honor Camp of the USP. If the investigation in this matter indicates [ ] is more deeply involved than is claimed, Kansas City should be promptly advised in order that he can be transferred to custody inside the USP walls.

GURERA SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

4/11/63

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)  
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)  
SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.  
AR  
(OO: Milwaukee)  
Re Kansas City teletype March 22, 1963.

On March 10, 1963, SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF observed residence located at 9021 Delmar, Johnson County, Kansas. Parked in the driveway of this home was a 1962 four door sand colored Chevrolet bearing Wisconsin License E60-784. The left rear fender of this automobile has been damaged. It is to be noted that by Milwaukee radiogram, 3/20/63, the above is the description of subject's automobile.

During spot check, it was observed that a Chevrolet automobile bearing Kansas Plates [redacted] drove into the GURERA driveway and a male individual entered the residence.

Records of Kansas State Highway Patrol reflect this plate is issued to [redacted] Kansas City, Kansas. Polk's Cross Directory for Kansas City, Kansas, reflects [redacted] is employed as an [redacted] by [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. [redacted] was contacted at the [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri, on 4/11/63, and advised that the JOE GURERA family had utilized [redacted] for purposes of moving household furniture

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from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Kansas City, Missouri, approximately three weeks ago. He stated that he had visited the GURERA residence, 9031 Delmar, Leawood, Kansas, for purposes of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Informants to date have been unable to determine GURERA's activities in Kansas City or his future plans.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

United States Government

MEMORANDUM

To : SAC [REDACTED]  
From : SA ROBERT J. DENEEN  
Subject: [REDACTED]  
CI

Date: 4/3/63

EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN DISSEMINATING ANY INFORMATION SET FORTH BELOW, SO THAT INFORMANT'S POSITION WILL NOT BE JEOPARDIZED.

Date of contact: March 27, 1963

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
JOE GURERA  
[REDACTED]

Informant stated that on [REDACTED], he was

- 2 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - 162-2 (Control file)
- 1 - 92-109 (Control file)
- 1 - 87-15247
- 1 - 92-114 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-115 (Carl Civella)
- 1 - 92-180 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-262 (Anthony Civella)
- 1 - 92-326 (Joseph Gurera)
- 1 - 92-602 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-1045 [REDACTED]
- 1 - 92-1105 [REDACTED]

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in the [redacted], [redacted] came in and sat at his table, discussing things in general for about a half-hour. He talked [redacted] and from the general conversation informant got the idea it was pulled by Italians. [redacted] said [redacted].

He also told informant that GURERA was in town.

[redacted]

Informant stated that on the [redacted]

[redacted]

Informant advised that no one knows of [redacted] other than himself; and this information should be very confidential. He stated he would later get a more detailed and accurate description of [redacted]. Informant pointed out that it was rather peculiar that [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] which was previously reported by informant.

[redacted]

Informant stated that [redacted] is handling the current federal case against [redacted]. [redacted] told informant that he is going to try to keep [redacted] from testifying.

CARL CIVELLA

[redacted]

Informant stated he believes this would be an excellent time to

[redacted]

subpoena [redacted] to testify before the Grand Jury, because it seems that everyone is being called before them these days. He thought they could be questioned by the Internal Revenue Service regarding [redacted]

[redacted]

Informant believes that [redacted] would not stand up under questioning in front of the Grand Jury. If his wife were brought in immediately afterward not knowing whether he had talked or not, she would defend him and would have a lot of information to tell about [redacted] because she has [redacted]

[redacted]

ANTHONY CIVELLA

Informant believes that "TONY RIPE" is probably fencing some [redacted] He had no specific reason for thinking this other than the fact that "TONY RIPE" [redacted] apparently had [redacted] Therefore this group apparently is [redacted]



4/19/63

AIRTEL

REGULAR MAIL

To: SAC, Chicago (92-1181)  
SAC, Memphis  
SAC, Kansas City (92-326)

From: SAC, Milwaukee (92-257) P

Subject: JOSEPH FRANK GUERRA, aka  
AR

OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee airtel to Chicago 3/27/63; Chicago airtel to Memphis 3/20/63, captioned "DOMINIC FRANK PRINCIPLE, Chicago file 92-1346."

A Federal Grand Jury examination of this matter is contemplated as soon as possible to determine the existence of a violation of the Anti-Racketeering Statute and, if possible, develop sufficient facts on which State prosecution for murder can be based. The Federal jurisdictional basis is the fact that BIERHAT's route covered both Wisconsin and Illinois. Information is at hand indicating that GUERRA, et al, made demands on the victim accompanied by threats; and, if established, this would constitute a violation of the Anti-Racketeering Statute.

The existence of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] may be deemed sufficiently in furtherance of unlawful or illegal activities to bring this matter within the Federal Communication laws and regulations and thereby provide a basis for the USA to grant immunity and force testimony to the Grand Jury. It is planned to use this technique against a limited number of the non-principal parties to the conspiracy in the event they seek to avoid testimony by taking the Fifth Amendment.

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It is therefore requested that offices receiving this communication afford as prompt coverage as possible of the following leads:

THE KANSAS CITY DIVISION:

At Kansas City

Verify Subject's continued presence in Kansas City so that at proper time he may be served with a subpoena without difficulty in locating him.

THE MEMPHIS DIVISION:

At Clarksville, Tennessee:

Make every effort to locate and examine 1959 alleged blue and white Ford. VIN [ ] Illinois license, [ ] (or possibly [ ]) registered to [ ] and allegedly sold by her 2/8/68 to [ ] of Clarksville, or determine non-existence of this individual.

THE CHICAGO DIVISION:

At Chicago, Illinois:

Cover lead #3 in reairtel.

At Kien, Illinois:

Cover lead in reairtel.

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At Waukegan, Illinois:

1. Interview [redacted], civilian employee, [redacted] re any contact he has had with principals in this case, noting particularly that WILLIAM "WEISER" COVELLI made a [redacted] on 10/28/61 and 11/26/61. If warranted, check [redacted] for the past six months.
2. Ditto as to [redacted], contacted by [redacted] 9/7/61.
3. At Great Lakes determine the identity of proper witness to testify as to BIERMAT's jukebox contract and business at Great Lakes.

At Arlington Heights, Illinois:

Identical investigation is requested relative [redacted]  
as to [redacted]  
[redacted] by COVELLI.

At Libertyville, Illinois:

[redacted]

At Lake Zurich, Illinois:

[redacted] available to DOMINIC PRINCIPE and [redacted] and advise of any to Wisconsin.

SUBJECT KNOWN TO POSSESS FIREARMS. CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, Milwaukee (92-257)

FROM: SAC, Kansas City (92-326) -P-

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka  
AR

OO: Milwaukee

Re Kansas City airtel to Milwaukee 4-11-63;  
Milwaukee airtel to Kansas City, 4-19-63

ReKCAirtel reflected investigation concerning  
subject's presence in Kansas City and his move to this location.

On 5-3-63, agents GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF and JAMES  
F. GLOMER physically observed subject's residence, and it  
appears subject is still residing at this location.

It is to be noted that if [redacted]  
[redacted] it is requested that  
notification of this be given this office at least two  
days prior to this time so that proper coverage may be  
given of subject's residence to confirm his presence in  
Kansas City at that time.

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*Spot check made  
on subject residence  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-326) P

DATE: 5-15-63

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.  
AR

On 5-10-63, while conducting an investigation in the 1200 block of North Broadway, Leavenworth, Kansas, agent noted that JOSEPH FRANK GURERA was working in the automatic laundromat at 1201 Broadway. This establishment is believed to bear the name of Wash-N-Dry.

GURERA was interviewed and advised that he is the owner of this establishment, but it has been operated for some time by another individual. He complained about the poor physical condition and stated that he intended to take over the operation. GURERA advised that he would not be moving to Leavenworth, but he [REDACTED] may spend the weekends there living in a small apartment at the rear of the automatic laundry. He said there is a possibility that [REDACTED] may operate the laundromat for him, but both are presently employed and he is debating whether or not he should insist that one of them take over the operation. GURERA also advised that he intends to open a pizzeria which he will have operated by several colored employees. He advised that there are no pizza houses in Leavenworth and he believes because this is located next to the military reservation it would be an excellent business venture.

Agent will follow this matter and determine to what extent GURERA does establish himself in the Leavenworth area.

The necessary sections of file 92-326 which would reflect the investigation as to GURERA and his possible involvement in the BERNAP murder case were not available. It is suggested that the above information be furnished Milwaukee in connection with the BERNAP matter.

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1 - 92-933 (INTERVIEW PROGRAM)  
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SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326) (P)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.  
AR

OO: Milwaukee

On May 10, 1963, SA [ ] observed JOSEPH FRANK GURERA working in an automatic laundromat at 1201 Broadway, Leavenworth, Kansas. SA [ ] was acquainted with GURERA and at this time conducted the following interview:

GURERA advised that he is the owner of this establishment, but it has been operated for some time by another individual. He complained about the poor physical condition and stated that he intended to take over the operation. GURERA advised that he would not be moving to Leavenworth, but he [ ] may spend the weekends there living in a small apartment at the rear of the automatic laundry. He said there is a possibility that [ ] may operate the laundromat for him, but both are presently employed and he is debating whether or not he should insist that one of them take over the operation. GURERA also advised that he intends to open a pizzeria which he will have operated by several colored employees. He advised that there are no pizza houses in Leavenworth and he believes because this is located next to the military reservation, it would be an excellent business venture.

The above information is being furnished for the benefit of the Milwaukee Division.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
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TO: SAC [REDACTED]

Date: 5/29/63

FROM: SA ROBERT J. DENEEN

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
CI

EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN DISSEMINATING ANY  
INFORMATION SET FORTH BELOW SO THAT INFORMANT'S POSITION WILL  
NOT BE JOEPARDIZED.

Dates of Contact: 5/14,17,20/63

Informant, on 5/14/63, advised that [REDACTED] is  
going to trial on the [REDACTED] case and it is [REDACTED]

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1-92-109. (Control File)  
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1-87-13794 [REDACTED]  
1-92-114 [REDACTED]  
1-92-115 (CARL CIVELLA)  
1-92-116 (N. CIVELLA)  
1-92-243 (C. DELUNA)  
1-92-246 [REDACTED]  
1-92-254 [REDACTED]  
1-92-257 [REDACTED]  
1-92-261 [REDACTED]  
1-92-274 [REDACTED]  
1-92-280 [REDACTED]  
1-92-290 [REDACTED]  
① 92-326 (J. GURERA)

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1-92-424 [REDACTED]  
1-92-517 [REDACTED]  
1-92-563 [REDACTED]  
1-92-705 [REDACTED]  
1-92-714 (Nev. Gamb. Int.)  
1-92-723 [REDACTED]  
1-92-942 [REDACTED]  
1-92-1051 [REDACTED]  
1-92-1056 [REDACTED]  
1-92-1088 [REDACTED]  
1-92-1094 [REDACTED]  
1-92-1105 [REDACTED]  
1-94-150 (J. VITALE)  
1-166-58 [REDACTED]  
1-168-45 [REDACTED]

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On 5/17/63, informant stated that about two weeks ago there was an article in the newspaper, or he heard it over the radio, that a \$5,000 bill had been lost. He stated that [redacted]

[redacted]

The following information was received on the contact of 5/20/63:

CI selected the picture of [redacted] from a group and stated that he is always hanging around the Pancake Patio and even [redacted] His best friend is [redacted]

[redacted] Informant stated that on [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] Informant stated that he has seen [redacted] within the past two weeks, although he could not recall where he saw him. He stated that [redacted] is always hanging around the Pancake Patio. After the recent raid at the Southside Club, informant stated that he was [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] Informant stated that he has become very close to [redacted]



[redacted]

[redacted] whose hobby is [redacted]  
[redacted]

Informant stated that [redacted] told him that [redacted] is in a position where he cannot talk because he would be buried. The whole incidence arose from the fact that the

[redacted]

According to informant, [redacted] is in trouble with the FBI. He called [redacted] and stated they wanted to

[redacted]

Informant stated that an incident occurred the other night which he thought was rather humorous. He stated that he was [redacted]

[redacted]

CARL DELUNA, according to informant, is a frequenter of the Pancake Patio, and has been seen by informant at this establishment on many occasions and as recently as ten days ago.

[redacted] according to informant, is always with [redacted] TONY RIPE or any of the boys whenever they are out with their wives. It seems that he is quite a comedian and they like him. Informant believed [redacted] or [redacted]

[redacted] according to informant, is always hanging out at the Pancake Patio.

Not too long ago, informant [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] home is located in the same block as [redacted] homes.

With regard to the wedding in [redacted], informant stated that [redacted] will not be going, but he expected [redacted] to go. Informant was told [redacted] that he would [redacted]

[redacted] Prior to leaving he should [redacted] staying in St. Louis. [redacted]

Informant was questioned as to any knowledge he might have concerning the recent KENNEDY killing in Kansas City, and he stated that he. [redacted]

[redacted] who would be in a position to know about this incident.

Informant stated that [redacted] operate the [redacted] in downtown Kansas City, Mo. The man who works there [redacted] is [redacted] just recently put [redacted] in the [redacted] and is planning on expanding his [redacted] operations while still keeping his fingers in the [redacted].

[redacted] to help finance [redacted] Informant stated that [redacted] the [redacted] has installed [redacted] and buys [redacted] from the Clique. He felt that [redacted] is living above his income because he has just [redacted]

[redacted] and is always well dressed.

He knew of no way in which [redacted] was further tied to the Clique, but did believe that probably was getting a kick back from the [redacted] It was informant's opinion that [redacted] as a [redacted] but he is catching on fast. CI stated that he has been unable to

[redacted]  
obtain any additional information regarding [redacted]  
because of [redacted] during the past  
month. He did, however, talk to his wife about this matter  
and she recalled that the man's name was [redacted] (PH) and  
she believed him to be [redacted]

By memo dated 5/14/63, SA [redacted]  
requested that informant be contacted regarding any information  
he may have about [redacted] ETC. Informant stated that he  
knows [redacted] only as a [redacted] in  
the [redacted] business, about 1½ years ago. According to  
informant, [redacted] is a [redacted]

Informant stated that he has heard nothing about  
either one of the [redacted] going to [redacted] recently and the  
last he knew of [redacted] being in that city was last Fall.  
He has no information as to whether [redacted] was there recently.

Informant stated further that he has no information  
regarding [redacted].

Informant stated he heard about the case where the  
Negroes were kidnaped and taken to the Atlas Sundries and  
beaten. He said that he did not know who all was involved in  
this matter.

Informant advised that [redacted] or [redacted]  
[redacted], are [redacted] involving [redacted]  
[redacted] gave [redacted] a [redacted] worth  
about \$500 and [redacted]  
worth about \$1,000. It appears he could not make connections  
and could not [redacted] Later he made connections  
out of town, and was able to produce \$2,000. \$1,000 went for the  
[redacted] and \$1,000 to [redacted]

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>Milwaukee</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>Milwaukee</b>	DATE <b>6/5/63</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>2/14/63 - 5/10/63</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA JOHN A. HOLTZMAN</b>	TYPED BY <b>bs</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

REFERENCE

Report SA JOHN A. HOLTZMAN, 4/4/63, at Milwaukee.

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ENCLOSURES

To Bureau: Two copies letterhead memorandum characterizing informants used in this report.

LEADSTHE KANSAS City DIVISION:At Kansas City

Will determine Subject's activities in Kansas City as they are of interest to the Bureau.

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THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION:

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

1. Will review the Italian conversation between JOHN DI BELLA and DOMINIC FRINZI at Fond du Lac, Wisc., 2/13/63, and report any significant information re this Subject.
2. Maintain informant contacts to determine if Subject returns to Milwaukee.

ADMINISTRATIVE

This report is limited to GURERA's personal activities and excludes any reference to ANTHONY J. BIERNAT's murder, which is also being reported under this caption per Bureau instructions.

INFORMANTS

MI T-1 is [ ] who furnished information to SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY; b6  
MI T-2 is [ ] who furnished information to SA GASSAWAY; b7C  
MI T-3 is [ ] who furnished information to SA JOHN A. HOLTZMAN; b7D  
MI T-4 is [ ] who furnished information to SA GASSAWAY;  
MI T-5 is [ ] who furnished information to SA GASSAWAY;  
MI T-6 is [ ] who furnished information to SA GASSAWAY,  
(Second symbol given to further protect informant's  
identity.)

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Report of: SA JOHN A. HOLTZMAN  
Date: June 5, 1963

Office: Milwaukee

Field Office File #: MI 92-257

Bureau File #: 92-4690

Title: JOSEPH FRANK GURERA

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

Unable to substantiate fact that Subject and STEVE DE SALVO went to Fond du Lac, Wisc., in early 1963. Subject moved back to Kansas City about 3/19/63 on orders of FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI--apparently a permanent move. Subject allegedly booking in Kansas City. Unable to connect Subject with Postal Dept. revolver stolen Chicago, 12/27/62, [redacted] GURERA KNOWN TO POSSESS FIREARMS. CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:At Fond du Lac, Wisconsin:

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY:

[redacted] Fond du Lac Police Department, upon interview on February 14, 1963, advised that JOHN DI BELLA, president of the Grande Cheese Company, on February 13, 1963, voluntarily appeared at the Police Department with [redacted] and attorney DOMINIC FRINZI of Milwaukee. These three individuals wanted a conference

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with [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted]

DI BELLA said that he was "fed up" about the Governor REYNOLDS reference to organized crime and the Grande Cheese Company in Fond du Lac and wanted to clear up matters.

[redacted] stated that during this conference, DI BELLA admitted nothing not already known to the authorities. He stated that he was president of the Grande Cheese Company, denied that it had any hoodlum connections whatsoever, and stated that he was just an Italian cheese maker trying to make an honest living.

[redacted] stated that before answering quite a few of the questions, DI BELLA would confer with his attorney, DOMINIC FRINZI, in Italian. DI BELLA was shown photographs of STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA and questioned as to whether or not he knew these individuals. After a considerable length of time in conference with his attorney, DI BELLA denied knowing either DE SALVO or GURERA.

[redacted], Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Office, upon interview on February 27, 1963, was contacted in regard to an individual by the name of [redacted] who allegedly [redacted]  
[redacted] FRANK BALISTRERI in Milwaukee.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] drives a late model white Cadillac automobile, but he is quite certain that [redacted] would not make any trips to Milwaukee for DI BELLA to [redacted] to FRANK BALISTRERI. He doubts if [redacted] has ever even met BALISTRERI.

In regard to the allegation that JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO used to visit LE ROY SOMMERS, a Fond du Lac County cheese maker who committed suicide in May, 1962, [redacted] stated that he knew where this report came from.

He advised that a retired Milwaukee policeman who was employed by Pinkerton Detective Agency conducted an investigation in about June, 1962, into the death of LE ROY SOMMERS. This individual claimed that one day during that period he saw JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO talking to DI BELLA at the Retlaw Hotel.

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[ ] stated that this individual never said anything about GURERA and DE SALVO ever contacting SOMMERS. By the time the report arrived at the desk of the Attorney General REYNOLDS of Wisconsin it had grown to where he had seen GURERA and DE SALVO contacting SOMMERS himself.

[ ] further advised that he doubts seriously if this detective actually saw GURERA and DE SALVO at the hotel with DI BELLA. He stated that he learned through other sources that two Italian cheese makers from out of town were at the Retlaw talking to DI BELLA, having lunch with DI BELLA about the same time the detective reported the above, but that these were only Italian cheese makers in that area believed to be with Alibia Cheese Company, but whose identities were not known to him.

[ ] pointed out that this detective claimed to be well acquainted with both GURERA and DE SALVO through his work on the Police Department in Milwaukee in previous years.

[ ] Retlaw Hotel, was interviewed on February 27, 1963. She advised that she had no record of GURERA or DE SALVO having stayed at that hotel in the past two years.

Upon being shown photographs of GURERA and DE SALVO, she stated that she has never seen any of these individuals.

[ ] and [ ] Retlaw Hotel, upon interview on February 27, 1963, and being shown photographs of GURERA and DE SALVO, advised that they had never seen either of these individuals at the hotel as far as they could recall.

[ ] Retlaw Hotel, upon interview on February 27, 1963, and being shown photographs of GURERA and DE SALVO stated that he has never seen these individuals in that hotel or in the company of DI BELLA as far as he knows.

MI T-1 upon being shown photographs of GURERA and DE SALVO said that he had never seen them in the Fond du Lac area and that if they held any meetings with JOHN DI BELLA it would probably be at his office and not at the hotel. Informant said he doubted these individuals had any contact with LEROY SOMMERS before his death as SOMMERS was not an associate of hoodlums or gamblers and was not in competition with JOHN DI BELLA.



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MI T-2 said that [redacted]

[redacted] Wisconsin, has no use for JOHN DI BELLA and has no connection with him except that he buys cream from DI BELLA's cheese factory. [redacted] drives a late model white Cadillac, and to informant's knowledge has no hoodlum connections of any sort.

Informant said that he had never seen the individuals represented by the photographs of DE SALVO and GURERA. He also said that he is certain that DI BELLA meets no one at the Retlaw Hotel and that LEROY SOMMERS, who committed suicide in May of 1962, was in no way connected with the hoodlum element and was not a competitor of DI BELLA in the cheese business.

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

MI T-3 on February 27 and March 8, 1963, said that there was absolutely no activity at Gallagher's since BERNAT's body was found on January 28, 1963, and that GURERA, BUSTER BALESTIERE and FRANK STELLOH had not even shown up at the place let alone have meetings there. STEVE DE SALVO has been in a few times for two or three minutes, and even FRANK BALISTIERI spent very little time there.

[redacted] advised SA JOHN A. HOLTZMAN on March 6, 1963, that the Subject had paid \$240 rent, which carried him to March 25, 1963. At this time he said he desired to stay in the apartment until June so that his children would not have to change schools. [redacted]

[redacted]  
Missouri.

On March 8, 1963, [redacted] Milwaukee Police Department, furnished the following information to SA RICHARD C. THOMPSON:

Very recently [redacted] was met in the hall of the Safety Building by DOMINIC FRINZI, who said he wanted to talk to [redacted]. The latter declined, saying that anything they said could only lead to an argument. FRINZI said this wasn't true—he had something that he wanted to say. He then asked [redacted] whether things would be different if GURERA moved, DE SALVO stayed south of the county line and STELLOH got a job.

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[redacted] answered that if GURERA moved out of Milwaukee then he would no longer be a problem to the police nor would DE SALVO if he stayed out of the county. Furthermore, if STELLICH worked 40 hours a week and stayed out of trouble, he would present no particular problem.

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[redacted] believes that the pressure caused by police surveillance of the hoodlum group may bring about the changes discussed by FRINZI.

On March 22, 1963, MI T-4 said that on March 22, 1963, he saw GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO having lunch together at Alioto's on the Blue Mound. They were alone and informant was surprised because he had previously heard that GURERA had left Milwaukee for Kansas City. Informant said that he had learned definitely that GURERA and DE SALVO were not going to buy EDDIE GREEN's Picadilly Tavern as previously planned.

MI T-5 furnished the following information on the dates indicated:

On March 4, 1963, informant stated that GURERA had moved from his home on Newport, but informant does not know where. The same Italian gamblers and night club operators, who were paying off previously, are still paying off weekly, but as of that time GURERA and DE SALVO have not contacted other gamblers or tavern keepers for pay offs as the time is not right.

On March 18, 1963, informant said that [redacted] and [redacted] had gone back to Kansas City but that GURERA and [redacted] who were working in Milwaukee were still here with GURERA presently staying at BUSTER BALESTIERE's home.

On March 22, 1963, informant said that GURERA went to Kansas City on the 19th but had just returned on the 22nd to talk to [redacted] about the [redacted]

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On April 1, 1963, informant said that to informant's knowledge Subject has not returned to Milwaukee after March 22 and no one seems to know what his plans are at the present time.

[redacted] FRANK BALISTRERI, though he is presently confined to the hospital, apparently has taken over GURERA's job in the local outfit.

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On April 23, 1963, informant reported that GURERA definitely was not coming back to Milwaukee except possibly for short visits. He had been moved out of Milwaukee on FRANK BALISTRERI's orders, and BALISTRERI was mad at him for having moved too fast and created too much heat. GURERA did not want to leave Milwaukee but had plans for buying a home here. However, FRANK BALISTRERI prevailed and was backed up by the Kansas City outfit. Informant said that [redacted] apparently are remaining in Milwaukee.

The following information was received from Kansas City:

On April 10, 1963, SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF observed Subject's residence at 9031 Delmar, Johnson County, Kansas, and noted that Subject's Chevrolet, bearing Wisconsin license E60-784, was parked in the driveway. The residence was again observed May 3, 1963, by Kansas City agents, and it appeared to them that Subject was still residing at this location.

On May 10, 1963, SA [redacted] observed JOSEPH FRANK GURERA working in an automatic laundromat at 1201 Broadway, Leavenworth, Kansas. SA [redacted] was acquainted with GURERA and at this time conducted the following interview:

GURERA advised that he is the owner of this establishment, but it has been operated for some time by another individual. He complained about the poor physical condition and stated that he intended to take over the operation. GURERA advised that he would not be moving to Leavenworth, but he [redacted] may spend the weekends there living in a small apartment at the rear of the automatic laundry. He said there is a possibility that [redacted] may operate the laundromat for him, but both are presently employed and he is debating whether or not he should insist that one of them take over the operation. GURERA also advised that he intends to open a pizzeria which he will have operated by several colored employees. He advised that there are no pizza houses in Leavenworth and he believes because this is located next to the military reservation, it would be an excellent business venture.

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At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

On April 29, 1963, MI T-5 said that he had heard that GURERA is definitely out of the picture in Milwaukee and supposedly has an interest in a "big book" in Kansas City and is operating out of the suburb where he lives. He reportedly is operating along with several other Kansas City members and they take bets both in Kansas City, Missouri, and Kansas City, Kansas.

The Chicago Division advised that on March 21, 1963, U.S. Probation Officer in Chicago said that [redacted] was received by the Federal Penitentiary, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, February 18, 1963, for parole violation and having a stolen pistol in his possession.

On March 21, 1963, Inspector [redacted] U.S. Post Office Inspector, Chicago, furnished the following information relative to revolver recovered from [redacted] which revolver formerly had been in the possession of Subject.

An individual by the name of [redacted] turned over the Colt revolver to one [redacted] Chicago, for safe keeping on [redacted] [redacted] called the Post Office Department and advised them of this fact, following which a surveillance was instituted by Postal Inspectors; and at 10:30 PM on January 30, 1963, [redacted] who was later identified as [redacted] recontacted [redacted] for the weapon and was placed under arrest by Postal Inspectors. He was in company at the time with one [redacted], who was arrested, processed through the Chicago Police Department and released.

Inspector [redacted] said that the revolver had belonged to [redacted] a mobile postal clerk who works on the [redacted] and has a good reputation and high character. He was staying at the Marion Hotel, 505 West Madison Street, Chicago, and on December 27, 1962, another postal clerk, also staying there, found [redacted] suitcase in the bathroom at the end of the hallway on the floor where [redacted] was living. He contacted [redacted] who checked his suitcase and found everything intact except that his money and the above pistol revolver was missing.

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At Leavenworth, Kansas:

The records of U.S. Penitentiary reflect that [redacted]  
[redacted] date of birth [redacted] was recommitted to  
Leavenworth February 18, 1963, and his term will expire  
July 4, 1964, with good time.

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At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

Photographs of [redacted] and [redacted] were exhibited to MI T-6 who [redacted] which was determined through investigation to be the same revolver as that confiscated from [redacted]. Informant said that he did not recognize [redacted] or [redacted] as anyone he had ever seen before, and he is certain that they do not frequent Milwaukee with the Italian hoodlum element.



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